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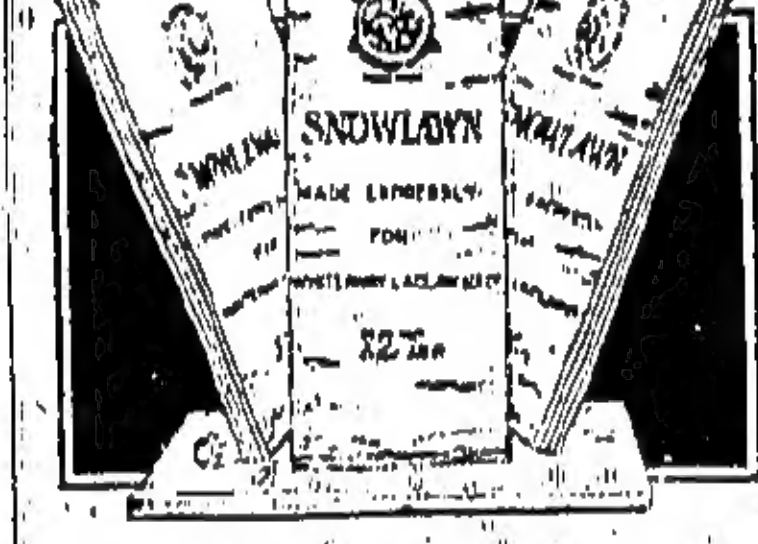
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## ICHANG CLASH.

Another Serious Yangtse Situation.

NEWS OF MRS. BORODIN.

Kiukiang Reverts to Ordinary Treaty Port Status.

Owing to a clash between bluejackets and stevedores at Ichang another serious Yangtse situation has arisen.

Further news has been received regarding Mrs. Borodin, wife of the Nationalist Government's Red adviser. She has been sent under escort to Tsinan.

From the terms of the agreement between Mr. O'Malley and Mr. Eugene Chen it is seen that Kiukiang reverts to ordinary treaty port status.

## ICHANG TROUBLE.

Naval Party and Stevedores Clash.

The following wireless messages were received overnight by the local naval authorities:—

A clash between a naval party and stevedores when the former were superintending the transfer of cargo at Ichang has led to a serious situation.

The name of the ship concerned is given in the message as "Aong Wo" (? mutilated).

In connection with the clash, the Labour Unions have issued demands requiring the removal of

deers at Nanking for carrying troops. Troops and horses have arrived at Chinkiang from down-river and some troops and stores have also left up-river.

## KIUKIANG'S FUTURE.

Ordinary Treaty Port Status.

Rugby, March 6. Details have been received of the agreement relating to the British Concession at Kiukiang which was effected between Mr. O'Malley and Mr. Eugene Chen and signed on March 2.

The British Government has cancelled the British Municipal Regulations and will hand over unconditionally the administration of the Concession area to the Chinese Nationalist Government as from March 15.

The Chinese Nationalist Government has transmitted a cheque for \$40,000 or \$5,000 in full settlement of all losses suffered by British subjects during the recent disturbances at Kiukiang.

The assets of the British Municipal Council which are the property of the ratepayers are to be transferred to a Club which will be incorporated as a company now in process of formation and registration.

Kiukiang thus reverts to a status of an ordinary treaty port like Foochow or Chefoo.

Mr. O'Malley left Hankow on March 3, after signing the Kiukiang Agreement, to return to Peking to report to Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister.

Mr. Teichman, Chinese Secretary of the British Legation, remains at Hankow to attend to the execution of the details of the Concession Agreements and to maintain diplomatic contact with the Nationalist Foreign Minister.

—British Wireless Service.

## CANTON BRAWLS.

Police Asked To Take Drastic Measures.

Armed fighting between workmen and different labour unions is still very frequent in Canton.

The Canton branch of the Political Council on March 3 instructed the Police Department to take drastic measures to suppress this fighting.

At the same time the Council wrote to General Military Headquarters asking Commander Chien Ta-shun to enforce the rule that labour faction fighters should be arrested for punishment and their seized and confiscated.

Foreign Labour Delegates. The foreign Labour delegates who have been visiting Canton, Mr. Tom Mann (British), Mr. Earl Browder (American), and Mr. M. Doriot (French) have left Canton by the Yueh Han Railway yesterday. They are to visit Hunan and then proceed to Hankow.

Urged to Return. The Provincial Kuomintang in Canton has sent a telegram to Wong Ching-wei, who is reported to be still in France or Germany urging him to return to Canton for the sake of the Party and country, for the sake of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's will, and for the sake of the people and his comrades.

Shanghai Defence Protest. Advice from Canton states that a meeting of public organisations was to be held at the Provincial Government House on March 5 at 2 p.m. to protest against the sending of British troops to Shanghai. No further news as to this meeting is yet to hand.

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## COMING AND GOING.

The Guards Sail For Shanghai.

SUFFOLK'S RETURNING.

The 2nd Coldstreams left for Shanghai on the s.s. "Kinfans Castle" early this afternoon.

The 2nd Suffolk, which Battalion was among the first to go to Shanghai from Hong Kong, embarked at Shanghai to-day on the s.s. "Vasna" and will be in Hong Kong in a few days.

The 1st Borderers, who are at present split up between the Wellington and Victoria Barracks, will proceed to the camp at Fanling on the return to Hong Kong of the Suffolks.

The 1st Green Howards left for Fanling by train this morning. The Cameronians will disembark from the s.s. "Herminius" to-morrow and proceed to camp at Fanling.

## ENTERTAINING THE SERVICES.

How The Public Can Assist Organisers.

From the President (Sir Henry Pollock) and Secretary (Mr. J. H. Hunt) of the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A., the "China Mail" has received the following statement

## OUR \$50 PRIZE.

New Cross-Word Puzzle To-Morrow.

Owing to a block-maker's error the "China Mail" regrets that it is unable to publish the new \$50 cross-word puzzle to-day. This will appear to-morrow as usual.

of the position in regard to the entertainment locally of troops:

With the approval of the Naval and Military Authorities, the Directors of the Y.M.C.A. now have plans well in hand for the entertainment of members of the United Services, both in Hong Kong and Kowloon.

In Hong Kong, premises have been kindly offered, free of rent, in Queen's Buildings, at the corner of Chater Road and Lee House Street. These are being prepared as Headquarters, with provision for reading, letter writing, refreshments and entertainment.

In Kowloon, a large godown has been kindly loaned for similar purposes. Plans have also been approved for the erection of an entertainment hall on the site at rear of the Y.M.C.A. Building.

Huts, or similar places of entertainment, are also being provided at the billeting centres of the various units.

A careful estimate of the cost of buildings, necessary equipment and the maintenance of the work show that the sum of at least \$20,000 will be required at once. The Directors, believing that the necessity for this work will be readily seen and that all who can will wish to have a part in it, have decided to issue a special appeal to the public of Hong Kong for this amount.

The Directors of the Y.M.C.A. would like to state that the services of their Secretaries are being given at no expense to this special Fund and all contributions received in response to this appeal will be devoted entirely to the work for the Service men. A separate Bank account is opened for the purpose.

Contributions should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. L. McPherson, at the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. Headquarters, 5, Queen's Buildings. Cheques should be made payable to the "Y.M.C.A. Naval and Military Fund."

## ROYAL VISITORS "DOWN UNDER."

Wellington, March 5. The Duke and Duchess of York have arrived here. They have received an enthusiastic reception.—Reuter.

## TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 1/11 13/16

## 2ND-BEST YEAR.

Tramway Company's Good Record.

SHAREHOLDER'S TRIBUTE.

In spite of handicaps of storm and flood, the year under review at the ordinary yearly meeting this morning of the Hong Kong Tramway, Ltd., was declared to be the second-best in its history.

Several improvements throughout the year in the service and general appearance of the cars were commented upon.

The Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard presided over the meeting, other Directors present being Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang and Mr. A. H. Compton. Among others present were Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy (Manager), Mr. W. F. Simmons (Secretary) and the following shareholders:—

Messrs. W. J. Stokes, F. Austin, Lo Man-hin, O. Kitchell, F. M. Crawford, C. F. Ribeiro, Chan Fat-fong, G. W. Sewell, J. Fleming, J. P. Braga, P. Tester, A. A. Alves, F. H. Crappell, Kwok Hin-wong, W. E. van Bps and Mr. E. Branch.

## Chairman's Speech.

The Chairman, addressing the meeting, said:—

The report and statement of accounts, together with the auditors' report, have been in your hands for some days and with your permission, I will follow the usual procedure and take them as read.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of the late Sir Paul Chater in May last year. He became a Director of the Company at the time of the transfer of the Board of Directors to Hong Kong in 1914 and his services since then were of the greatest value to the Company.

Although the past year has been the second best—beaten only by 1924—in the history of the Company it has been adversely affected by unusually bad weather and consequential interruptions.

The electrical storm in July caused a drop of about \$11,000 in one week alone and the persistent bad-weather in September caused that month to show fewer passengers than the previous January.

## The New Cars.

During the year six old cars have been scrapped and replaced by new cars of 8ft. 6in. wheel-base. These in addition to six additional cars put into service now make twelve vestibule top-covered cars on 8ft. 6in. Peckham pendulum trucks which are a great improvement on any cars we have had hitherto. A model of this car is now on the table in front of you. A number of other cars have had the wheel-base extended from 6ft. 6in. to 7ft. 6in. in our own shops. The vestibule saloon top seems now to be regarded as a necessity rather than a luxury and by the end of this year half the cars will have been converted from the old canvas curtain arrangement.

Several cars have been painted green. This colour has, so far, stood up very well and the Board is considering the question of ultimately adopting this colour as standard.

## Quarry Bay Improvement.

Regarding the track, as forecasted in my speech last year, we are now off that dangerous section on the sea-side of the Tai-koo Club. The P.W.D. have completed the cutting near Quarry Bay and although our new track is at present only single and of a temporary nature it is expected that we shall lay down the permanent track towards the end of this year so that 12 months hence the extremely important work of re-laying and doubling the track between Causeway Bay and Shaukiwan will be almost half completed.

Turning now to the accounts, the working account profit for the year is \$741,787.55 which is \$19,459.85 better than the previous year. You will recollect that owing to the strike which began in June, 1925, our earnings for the second half of that year were very poor. They were much better during the year under review and I am pleased to say that receipts for the first eight weeks of the current year were 14 per cent. higher than during the corresponding period in 1926. During the three days covering China

## GREAT "BATTLE."

Red and Blue Fleets In Conflict.

NAVY'S MIMIC WARFARE.

London, March 6. Reuter's special correspondent on board the "Repulse" gives vivid picture of the battle in the Mediterranean between the Blue, and Red Fleets under Sir Roger Keyes and Sir Henry Oliver, respectively, each comprising seven battleships, battle cruisers, one aircraft-carrier, ten cruisers, and a number of destroyers.

Hostilities opened with a Blue aeroplane flying over the Red aircraft-carrier "Furious" then retiring pursued by three Red aeroplanes.

Gas masks were then donned transforming the sailors into dog-headed demons.

A 3-hour engagement followed consisting of a maze of tactical evolutions over a vast area, the sea swarming with darting light craft between the dim silhouettes of the capital ships.

The issue of the fight is unknown pending the decision of the umpires. Night operations followed in which a force consisting of the "Hood," "Repulse" and "Furious," five cruisers, three destroyer flotillas and three submarines fought a delaying action against a vastly superior Red force consisting of the remainder of the combined fleets approaching the Straits of Gibraltar from the east.

All the ships were darkened, only searchlights representing gunfire and relieving the gloom.—Reuter.

## WEATHER FORECAST.

"East winds, fresh, moderating; overcast, rain and fog later" is the weather forecast for to-morrow.

Pressure has increased considerably over S. Manchuria and over the Bonins, moderately over S.W. Japan and slightly over N.E. Japan. It has decreased moderately from Tongking to Hong Kong and slightly over Formosa. Over the Philippines it is nearly stationary.

The anticyclone has strengthened and is central over S. Manchuria. Pressure is low over S.W. China. Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 4.81 inches, against an average of 3.53 inches.

## BITTEN BY DOGS.

A Chinese was bitten by a chow dog in Hollywood Road yesterday. He received treatment at the hospital and the dog was taken to Kennedy Town for observation.

Pte. Brole, K.O.S.B., was bitten by a dog owned by Sergt-Major Temple. He went immediately to the Military Hospital for treatment. The dog is under observation at Kennedy Town.

New Year our receipts constituted a record.

Distribution of Balance. The balance available for appropriation after allowing for the interim dividend of 50 cents per share paid in August amounting to \$325,000 is \$638,011.04. Your Directors recommend the payment of a final dividend for 1926 of 60 cents per share absorbing \$390,000.00 and that the balance of \$248,011.04 be carried forward. This last figure is \$22,890.10 more than brought forward from the previous year.

I do not think there is anything more that calls for comment and I now beg to propose

"That the report of the Directors and statement of accounts for the year ended December 31, 1926, are hereby adopted as presented and that a final dividend for the year at the rates of 60 cents per share recommended by the Directors be and is hereby sanctioned."

When this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions which shareholders may wish to ask.

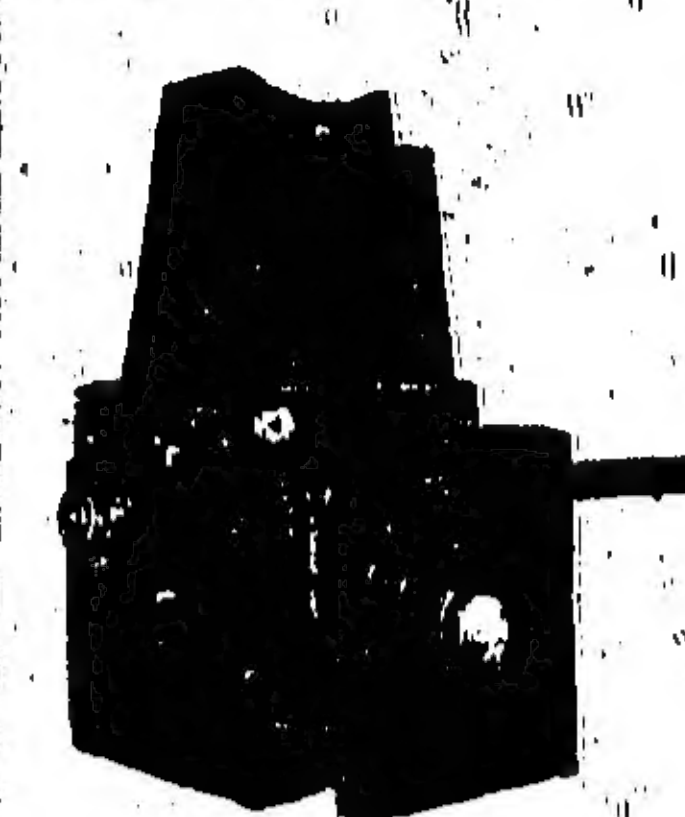
Mr. F. Austin, in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts, congratulated the Directors on the successful year's working.

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Sir Robert Ho Tung and Mr. A. H. Compton, retiring Directors, were re-elected on the proposition of Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Kitchell.

The appointment of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews as auditors for the year at a remuneration of \$1,500 was proposed by Mr. Lo Man-hin, seconded by Mr. Sewell.

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The section of Ma Hang Chung Road between Pak Tai Street and Pau Chung Street.

The section of Sheung Heung Road between Ma Tai Wei Road and Pau Chung Street.

E. D. C. WOLFE, Capt. Supt. of Police, Hong Kong, 5th March, 1927.

### THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 5, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd March, 1927, at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th March, 1927, to the 23rd March, 1927, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,  
LOOK POONG-SHAN,  
Chief Manager,  
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927.

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### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the undersigned on MONDAY, the 28th March, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 28th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

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### NOTICE.

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### Public Auctions

## THE R.P.A. FOURTH ANNUAL DINNER HELD. OBJECTS OUTLINED.

The Hong Kong Rationalist Press Association met under the Chairmanship of the President, Mr. P. T. Lamble, at the Hotel Savoy on Saturday night on the occasion of the fourth annual dinner.

Music was provided throughout the evening by the band of the Hotel Savoy, by Mrs. Ho and Mr. Bowes-Smith, speeches were interesting and to the point, and the catering of the Hotel was excellent. A most enjoyable time was spent by between 150 to 200 members and a few guests.

The loyal toast was honoured.

"The Guests."

Mr. Ng Sze-kwong, in proposing "The Guests," said: It is a great pleasure to me to have this honour of proposing the toast of our guests. There is really not much for me to say except to thank our guests for the pleasure of their company. Our Chairman has very ably explained the aims of our Association, as its name indicates, we are not a religious society, but simply an organised body, basing our beliefs on scientific research, hoping that by research we may gain a wider knowledge of our origins and establish something which faith has so far failed to prove, always leaving in our minds some doubt as to the truth. You may believe what people say and you may not. You may think that a lot of people read trashy literature, because it is stimulating and is merely a relief from the drudgery, monotony of life. But whatever our beliefs are, there is always our common sense to guide us. I sincerely hope that our guests to-night will regard our Association as the door to a world-wide movement of enlightenment. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. J. E. Macdonald briefly replied for the guests.

"The R.P.A."

In proposing the toast of "The R.P.A.," the President, Mr. Lamble, said:—

It has been said that an after-dinner speech should be like a lady's garment—long enough to cover the subject and short enough to make it interesting (laughter). I shall be brief at all events.

In proposing the toast of the Rationalist Press Association I take the opportunity of stating publicly what the Association does not do. It does not interest itself in politics, and it has no sympathy with anarchic revolution as has been hinted on several occasions locally. It is a curious thing that a number of people cannot conceive of others being loyal subjects of the state and good citizens, or to have ideas and yet have no psychic need of any supernatural aid, or to be honest enough not to assent to a mere verbal formula when no real belief exists. Those people will probably be surprised to learn that we drink the loyal toast at these gatherings of ours (laughter).

"The Way to Truth."

Every great philosopher has passed through the phase of examining what has been taken for granted, and it is the same impulse which directs a man to the study of philosophy. In the life of every thoughtful man there comes a time when everything that has been assumed, and on which he has confidently built, collapses like a house of cards, and as during an earthquake, even the most solid looking structure totters. Descartes has very vividly described this, with the utmost simplicity and fitness, in his first Meditation. He experiences, as Socrates did, the real mission of scepticism, which is both in history and in the very nature of human thought, to lead us onward to a final security through the dissolution of our unreflecting assumptions. Herbart has the same idea when, in his introduction to Philosophy, he, in his usual dry way, discusses the nature of scepticism. As Cicero says: "By doubting we come to the truth."

Now the one thing that emerges at the present day is the growth of unbelief. In spite of all the talk about a revival of religion here and there, in spite of the empty verbiage about man's craving for religion, that much is evident, I am not speaking of morality; morality and religion are two different things. And it is not merely a growth of unbelief in supernaturalism, but in the fundamentals of religious belief. The output of rationalist works from the leading publishing firms, an output undreamt of ten years ago, goes to prove this. And all this has been gained by men and women fighting independently, and by bodies like our parent Association struggling against great odds. And although the fight is not yet over, yet there is much cause for gratification on our side (applause).

Mr. Forrest's Reply.

Mr. R. D. Forrest, in replying, said:—It is some time now since a friend of mine, a clergyman, in a conversation with myself put the case of Rationalism versus Religion in a nutshell when he asked: "Has Rationalism done as much for the world as Christianity? This is, as we learned in our Latin grammar, the kind of question that experts the answer No. But had my friend stayed for an answer it is possible that I might have been able to show him that the case is not so clearly in favour of religion as most men of ordinary education, owing allegiance to neither side in the dispute, would imagine. I am not to attempt to set forth to-night what men of learning have expounded in lengthy and well documented works,

but I hope, by one or two quotations, to indicate at one and the same time an answer to the question which is a crucial question, and to indicate in brief what is the work of the Association in those honour we have met this evening. Lucky, an historian whom none will convict of animus against Christianity, says in his "History of European Morals":

It can be shown that from the time of Constantine to the time when the rationalistic spirit wrested the blood-stained sword from the priestly hand, persecution was uniformly defended—defended in long, learned, and elaborate treatises, by the best and greatest men the Church had produced, by acts that differed on all other points, by multitudes who proved in every conceivable manner the purity of their zeal. It can be shown, too, that toleration triumphed only when indifference to dogma had become a prevailing sentiment among legislators. It was only when the battle had been won—when the anti-dogmatic party, acting in opposition to the Church—had rendered persecution impossible—that the great body of theologians revised their arguments, and discovered that to punish men for their opinions was wholly at variance with their faith.

An Educative Institution.

Such an indictment of Christianity and testimony to the work of the rationalistic spirit by one whose judicial impartiality is noted by our premier English Encyclopaedia will show the utility of the educative work of this Association. For our R.P.A. is primarily an educative institution. By publishing works such as that from which I have just quoted, works which the Churches would fain have kept from the knowledge of the people, it pursues its main object. These annual gatherings, which help to ensure each member that he is not ploughing a lonely furrow, are but useful accessories of the study. We believe that it is in the common interest that intellectual education should continue in the adult years of life, and that the halo of sanctity should be dimmed by a general knowledge of the questionableness of orthodox views on biblical criticism. It should be known, for instance, that many thoughtful men—a recent census taken by a literary paper in England shows how narrow is the orthodox majority—reject the central ideas of the Christian creed; it should be known how far criticism, many themselves clergymen, have gone in their attitude to the question of the genuineness of the sacred books; it should be known that comparative mythology has destroyed the uniqueness of the Christianity legends; and that the attitude towards truth in the time of the early Church was such that one of its most learned writers could write that he had in his history suppressed all that could tend to the disgrace of religion.

It is to give access to the facts that Eusebius and his successors would hide or pass over in silence that this our Association exists. It cannot, in view of a not over-honest polemic which appears from time to time, be too strongly emphasised that it has nothing to say on political questions. Our individual members have doubtless as befits all good citizens of whatever creed, their political interests and convictions, but the Association embraces men of the most widely divergent political views and favours none. If there is any political tendency implicit in its position it is emphatically not a love of that revolutionary disorder which would hamper its propaganda and convert intellectual energy to most irrational passion. In lighter vein, as befits such stupid slander, shall and by saying that our archives will be ramracked with evidence of dealings with the Cheka, and that bombs are not among our methods of propaganda. If spiritual things must be spiritual, understood, it is a legitimate corollary that spiritual errors must be spiritually as well as spiritedly combated (applause).

Toast of the Press.

Proposing the toast of "The Press of Hong Kong," Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith said: We in this Colony are fortunate in possessing a Press which is impartial in regard to religious controversy and opens its columns alike to believers and unbelievers. That is a remarkable fact for which we should feel thankful, for the partiality of certain Home journals for the views of clerics as opposed to those of freethinkers is most marked. General publicity is given at home to the pronouncements of Bishops, clergymen and the handful of quasi-religious scientists like Sir Oliver Lodge, but the views of such distinguished scientists, philosophers and literary men as are found among the patrons of our Association are seldom given any prominence in the papers at all.

Recently the London "Morning Post" opened a discussion on religion and its columns were filled for weeks with letters championing one sect or another of Christianity, but scarcely a criticism of the Christian theology was allowed to appear. Charles Gorman, of the "Literary Guide," wrote a temperate, logical letter which was declined by the Editor. Another example of that attitude occurred when Mr. George Whale died suddenly after addressing the R.P.A. one London daily paper implying in big headlines that his death was due to the anti-Evolutionist. W. J. Bryan was stricken immediately after speaking

at the Scopes trial, the same journal was discreetly silent on the subject of sudden death.

No Bias Locally.

Fortunately, we have no bias of that kind to contend with here. (Hear, hear.) In Hong Kong, Theosophical meetings are regularly reported. Union Church sermons appear and are criticised in the correspondence columns. A factious speech by the Bishop of London is given equal prominence with a Mohammedan protest. In particular, I would express our appreciation of the adequate publicity given to our annual meeting and occasional correspondence. (Hear, hear.) There is only one suggestion I would offer. A body known as the International Bible Students Federation has recently been wasting its funds in sending tracts by post to educated people in Hong Kong, tracts which make one realise how near we still are to the ages of gipsy superstition and abysmal ignorance on this planet. From these, it is clear that the mentality of the Bible Students is on no higher plane than that of the anti-Evolutionists in Tennessee. Personally, I should like the Press to give these people as much publicity as possible, for there is nothing more likely to advance the cause of Rationalism, which is the cause of truth, than to allow these upholders of the literal interpretation of the Bible to expand their doctrines among educated people, leaving the public to judge their utterances for themselves. (Applause.)

A Pressman's Reply.

Replying to the toast of "The Press of Hong Kong," Mr. E. R. Price said:

One of the first things I was told when I took up newspaper work was that a journalist is firstly a news gatherer. Considerations of personal sympathy and friendship—sometimes even of the rational faculty which, although seemingly submerged in some, must be inherent in even the most bigoted—must often, in the case of a Pressman, be subordinated to the interests of that exterior appendage which the late Lord Northcliffe delighted in calling a nose for news. It is as a journalist alone, then, that I would first reply to the kind expression of appreciation by Mr. Bowes-Smith.

It must be obvious even to the least initiated in the mysterious process by which newspapers are evolved that news type is not elastic. Even the foreman printer, who is among the most expert of jugglers, cannot set himself in opposition to the mathematical law that says that twice three is not seven.

There are seven columns to a news page and the point I have perhaps rather labourably endeavoured to make is that the R.P.A. meetings and the correspondence they evoke help considerably in the problem of filling them. (Laughter.)

At the annual gatherings of such Societies as those of St. George, St. Andrew and St. David, the sentiments expressed are, rather taken for granted; the problem of the foreman printer is solved for the day of the meeting only. But in the case of the R.P.A. meeting he knows that the sentiments expressed so candidly will rub someone the wrong way and lead to a discussion which will solve the problem of that extra column for many days to come. (Laughter.)

### Free Speech and Thought.

But this, after all, although important in a purely technical sense, takes secondary place when one comes to such considerations as the right of men to free thought and free speech.

The Press is the mouthpiece of the public—often its only channel for the ventilation of protest against tyrannical imposition and persecution no less severe when it is not open and all the more to be condemned when it is due to the championship by the persecuted of these very principles of free thought and free speech.

Pressmen may have conflicting personal views on the merits of the discussion regarding matters of religious controversy. Regarding the criticism by Mr. Bowes-Smith of a section of the Home Press, an editor may in some isolated cases be bound by the narrow-mindedness of the reading public to which his papers have to be made acceptable

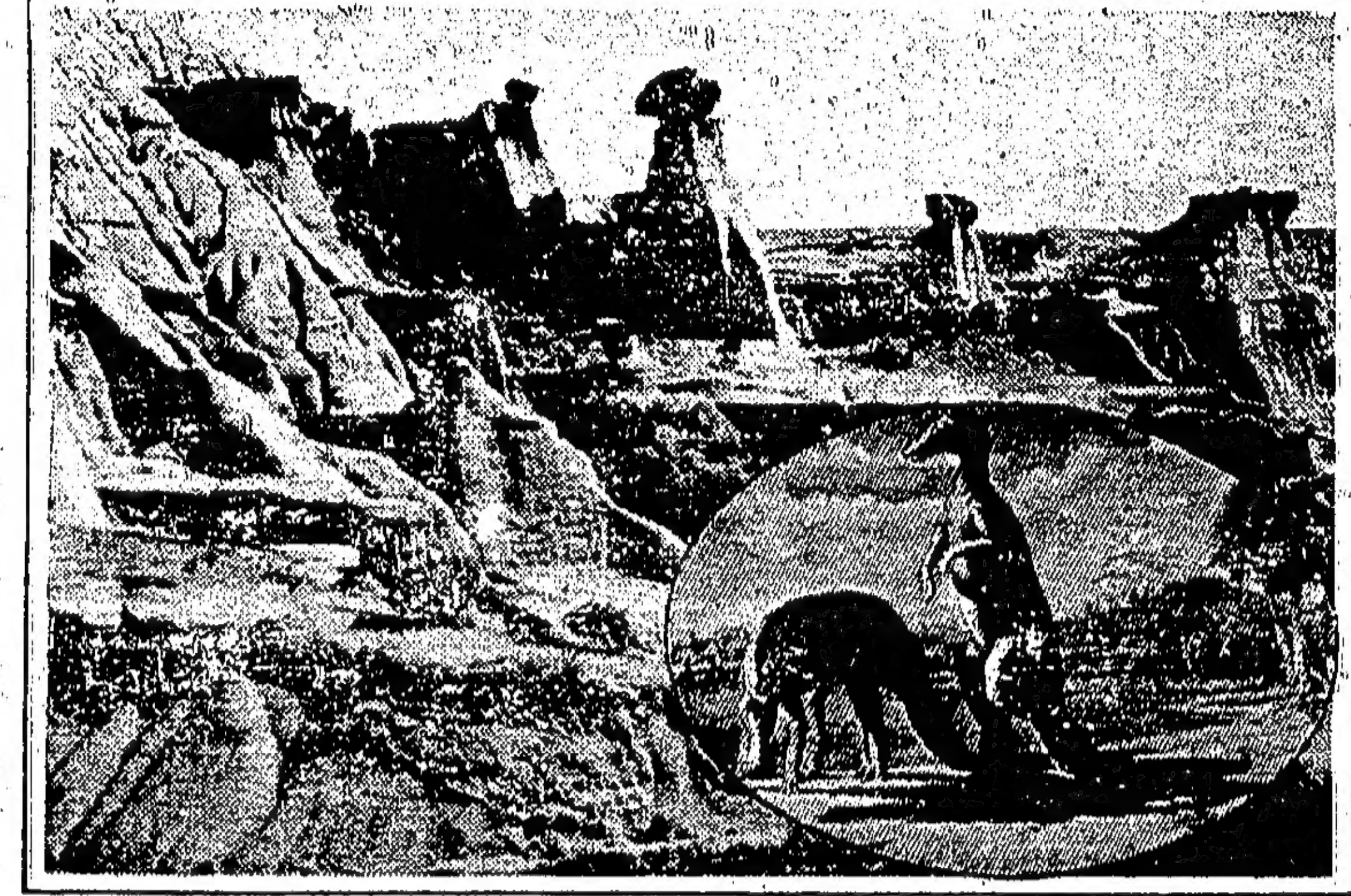
as a business proposition. But at the bottom a Pressman, in a staunch advocate and worker for the time that may not yet be but for which his predecessors strove and the Rationalists are striving: the time which cannot be far distant—when the advocacy of views, however unorthodox in the minds of some, will not condemn a man in the eyes of those who are able to influence his position. (Applause.)

The well-known lion trainer, Captain Wombwell, who is performing at Leicester Circus, was attacked by an old lion named Wallace, while attending to a pair of sick cubs. The lion broke through a thin wood partition, and clawed Captain Wombwell severely on the shoulder and back. A honess, which is very fond of the trainer, created a diversion by clawing her mate's flanks, and his intended victim got away with extensive but not serious wounds.

### SPRING EXODUS.

A large number of local residents left Hong Kong on Home leave on Saturday by the s.s. "Mantua."

Among them were Mr. A. Dyer Ball, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. H. Beavis, Mr. and Mrs. P. Buckle, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Burford, Mr. J. B. Chapman, Mr. W. S. Dixon, Mrs. B. M. Ede, Mrs. Eldon Potter, Mr. J. Gillespie, Mr. R. V. Harris, M. A. E. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. C. Mycock, Mr. and Mrs. D. Peoples, and Mrs. A. B. Furves, Mr. F. W. Ramsay, Mr. D. A. Rushton, Mr. J. H. Saunders, Mrs. G. M. Shaw and the Misses Shaw, Mr. W. C. Smith, Mr. F. G. L. Wheeler, Mrs. and the Misses Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Winslow.



The majority of tourists who travel across the open prairies on the Canadian Pacific line east of Calgary are unaware as they look towards the north that there is to be found anything to interest them except the prairies and prairie towns. But not many miles distant from the railway, where the Red Deer River cuts through the prairie, lies a valley known as the "Bad Lands." This is a valley beside which the Rocky mountains are young—a valley whose bottom-lands record that once they were an inland sea along whose shores, millions and millions of years ago, lived those walking, creeping, crawling monsters known as dinosaurs.

Only with the discovery of the dinosaur skeletons, and as a result of the numerous expeditions sent into the Bad Lands of the Red Deer by the Government, and by museums both in Canada and in the United States, has the river valley taken on a wider interest. Each season adds not only to the number of collecting parties but also to the number of tourists who are attracted by the picturesque character of the canyon and whose imagination is thrilled with the thought of the age-long secrets which the valley is beginning to make known.

When and how did these dinosaurs live? What was the world like during the time when they flourished? How would this very valley have appeared at that time and what other creatures were to be found there with them? Such questions naturally arise as the dinosaur tale on a larger measure of reality.

At first one is likely to think of all these extinct animals as merely prehistoric, living hundreds of years, of course, before even Tut-ankh-amen, but perhaps at the same time as our cave-dwelling ancestors, with whom they may have contended for the mastery of the earth. The written records on which history is based extend back, comparatively speaking, only a few centuries; even the oldest, those of Egypt and Chaldea, cover but sixty centuries. The still earlier periods when man lived in savage and barbaric tribes take us back only one hundred thousand years, and as no fossil remains are found in strata of that date it is evident that these huge reptiles had long been extinct even at that time. In highest these dinosaurs have never been exceeded. The herbivorous group were the largest; they browsed on the rusty vegetation and among the ferns and bushes, or stood up and grasped trees with their fore-legs while they devoured the foliage. Many of these were giraffe-like waders whose long fore-limbs and immensely longer necks enabled them to take refuge in deeper waters, more out of reach of the fierce carnivores of the land. The Diplodocus, a herbivorous dinosaur whose skeleton is in the Carnegie Museum, Pittsburgh, measures eighty-seven feet in length, and a still more colossal one found later and known as Gigantosaurus measures well over one hundred feet.

The carnivorous or flesh-eating groups were not so large; they were more active, however, and preyed upon the herbivores. Though equipped with frightful weapons they were considerably inferior in intelligence to the modern crocodile or lion and far below the bird or mammal. Of these, Tyrannosaurus seems almost "the last word in frightfulness." It reached the length of forty-seven feet, and in a standing position the animal was eighteen to twenty feet high as against twelve feet for the largest African elephant. The long deep powerful jaws were set with teeth from three to six inches long and an inch wide.

To protect them from these flesh-eating dinosaurs, many of the herbivorous ones were completely encased in armor. Such an Aukyllosaurus. Plates covered the skull, neck, back and hips, and even the belly was covered by a pliable mosaic of small close-set plates. It was further protected by a movable plate that could be dropped like a shutter over each eye.

The Geological Survey at Ottawa now has a remarkably fine collection of dinosaurian remains mounted and on exhibition at the Victoria Museum. Ottawa, and are also to be seen at the Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto. The field has by no means been exhausted. Under miles of prairie land the same strata are undoubtedly filled with similar fossils; erosion is rapid, and as the river continues to wear its banks away new fossils are exposed. For all time to come the Red Deer River will be a classic locality for collecting prehistoric treasures.

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## SEARCH FOR PIRATES

COMB-OUT ON "ANHUI" AT SINGAPORE.

## SEARCH PROVES FRUITLESS.

Singapore, Feb. 23.

There was a scene of great activity at the East Wharf, Tanjong Pagar, yesterday evening, when the Butterfield and Swire steamer "Anhui" together with its contingent of over 1,700 deck passengers, was thoroughly searched for possible pirates prior to sailing for China.

This was the second time in the last few years that an outward bound coolie ship has been thoroughly searched at Singapore, but the "Anhui" was not as exhaustively combed out as was the "Hong Wha" two years ago, owing to the fact that the police had to take action hurriedly, and had no time to make full arrangements.

It appears that one of the officers on the "Anhui" was on board the "Sunning" when that ship was pirated, and when it was recaptured by the ship's officers after a fight which was one of the fiercest episodes in the history of the British mercantile marine. This officer thought he recognised among the passengers one of the men who was arrested on board the "Sunning" on suspicion of having taken part in the piracy, but who was released after the inquiry at Hong Kong, there being no evidence against him.

Captain's Suspicions.  
The presence of this man, if he was in fact the suspected pirate, on board the "Anhui" was obviously a sign that trouble might be expected on the voyage, and Captain Fennel, master of the "Anhui" reported his suspicions to the police.

The search was directed by Mr. A. H. Dickinson, A.S.P. in charge of the detective branch, and was conducted by a force of detectives, about sixty men from the police depot, and officers of the Government Monopolies Department.

All approaches to the wharf were guarded, and the search lasted from four to nine o'clock last night. Hurriedly though it was arranged, it was nevertheless pretty thorough, and the persons and property of some 1,700 deck passengers were carefully inspected, while the second-class passengers were also searched.

Twenty-Five Arrests Made.  
The results were negative from the police point of view, but reassuring from that of the ship's officers. No arms were discovered, but a few rounds of ammunition were seized. Twenty-five deck passengers were detained, but there were no suspicious Cantonese among them.

The "Anhui" left the wharf this morning and went to the roads, she will sail shortly for China.

## "CONSIGNEES" NOTICES.

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The E. I. s.s. "Shirala" will leave Amoy for this port to-day, p.m., and is due here to-morrow, at about 3 p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on Feb. 25, and is due here on March 18.

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EMPRESS OF CANADA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPRESS OF ASIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 19
EMPRESS OF CANADA	July 11	July 15	July 19	July 22	July 31
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HAWAII MARU ..... Friday, 8th April.  
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SUMATRA MARU ..... Sunday, 3rd April.  
HONOLULU MARU ..... Tuesday, 19th April.  
SHUNKO MARU ..... Saturday, 19th March.  
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CANADA MARU ..... Friday, 15th March.  
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.  
BINGO MARU ..... Sunday, 27th March.  
BANGKOK—Via Saigon.  
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Shanghai and Japan Ports.  
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HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOI.  
TAIKWA MARU ..... Saturday, 5th March, 10 a.m.  
MENADO MARU ..... Thursday, 17th March, 10 a.m.  
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.  
ARGUN MARU (From Shanghai) Friday, 15th April.  
JAPAN PORTS  
AMUR MARU ..... Tuesday, 15th March.  
SOURABAYA MARU ..... Friday, 25th March.  
ANDES MARU ..... Wednesday, 13th April.  
KEELUNG Via SWATOW & AMOY.  
HOZAN MARU ..... Sunday, 13th March, 10 a.m.  
KAIJO MARU ..... Sunday, 20th March 10 a.m.  
KOTSU MARU ..... Thursday, 24th March 8 a.m.  
TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY.  
SOURABAYA MARU (direct to Takao) Friday, 25th March.  
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MONGOLIA	16,504	19th March	Marseilles, London
MACEDONIA	19,320	2nd April	Marseilles & London
KHYBER	9,314	9th April	Marseilles, London, Dunkirk, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hull
DEVANHA	8,155	16th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
DELTA	8,007	27th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & R'bay
MALWA	10,941	30th April	Marseilles and London
NELLORE	6,853	11th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & R'bay
KHIVA	8,135	14th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NYANZA	7,023	25th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MORFA	10,818	28th May	Marseilles & London
KASHMIR	9,005	31st June	Marseilles and London
NANTVA	10,002	25th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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TILAWA	10,009	25th March	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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ARAFURA	6,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
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KHIVA	8,135	18th April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
NYANZA	7,023	25th April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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## WHO'S WHO.

SOME PASSENGERS ON  
"PRESIDENT GRANT."

The s.s. "President Grant" arrived here to-day with the following passengers:-

Mr. Pang Tuo-sing.—Mr. Pang is connected with the How Woo Film Corporation of 2181 Boone Road, Shanghai. He can be located while in Hong Kong with the firm of the same name at 73 Wyndham Street. He is undecided as to the length of stay in Hong Kong.

Mr. Hoy Sang-ly.—Mr. Hoy Sang-ly is a prominent merchant of New York and a frequent traveller with the A.O.L. On this occasion he will spend six months in the Orient before his return to the States.

Mr. and Mrs. Kwan Yet-cho.—Mr. Kwan is a merchant of Shanghai coming to Hong Kong on business. His length of stay will be one month.

Mr. H. Lewis.—Mr. Lewis is connected with A. D. Sutton and Sons of 36 Ferry Road, Shanghai. He is en route to Swatow.

Mr. Rowland A. Curry.—Mr. Curry is an architect of Shanghai going to Manila for a stay of indefinite duration.

Mr. Philip Crovat.—Mr. Crovat is a jeweller of Shanghai going to join his family in Manila for an indefinite period.

Mr. Jacques Georges Hirsch.—Mr. Hirsch is a native of Switzerland where he is engaged in the manufacturing of watches in the town of his birth, Chaux de Fonds. He will remain in Manila one month before making the return trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Sutterlin.—Mr. Sutterlin is a prominent real estate dealer of Shanghai, being the leading figure of the China Realty Company of that City.

Mr. Raymond J. Tozer.—Mr. Tozer is the General Agent for the Orient for the Northern Pacific Railway. He is making a short trip to Manila for business purposes.

Miss Ruth M. Chester.—Miss Chester is a missionary en route from New York to Nanjing where she will take up her work and remain for five years.

Mr. Willem De Vlugt.—Mr. De Vlugt is a resident of Amsterdam, Holland, going to Shanghai for an indefinite period in the interest of his firm, the Nederlandse Indische Handelsbank.

Mr. Page K. Gravelly.—Mr. Gravelly, an executive of the China American Tobacco Company, is coming to the Orient on a five months' sojourn after which he will return to his home at Rocky Mount, North Carolina.

Mr. John Irvine.—Mr. Irvine is connected with the International Export Corporation of Hankow, where he will remain for a period of eighteen months.

Father R. P. Morrissey.—Father Morrissey, who has for some time past been residing in Rome at 45 Piazza Jesu, is accompanying the recently consecrated Chinese Bishop, the Right Reverend Simon Tsu, to Shanghai. Father Morrissey will be permanently located in Shanghai.

Mr. Hunter A. Towne.—Mr. Towne is connected with the American Milk Products Corporation of New York. He will remain in the Orient for about a year.

The Right Rev. Simon Tsu (Bishop of Haimen).—Bishop Tsu has the unique distinction of being the first Chinese to be consecrated a Bishop of the Roman Catholic Church. He is returning from a pilgrimage to Rome where he was invested and is on his way to Haimen to preside over that diocese.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Beaven.—Mr. Beaven is a clerkman of Rochester, N.Y., coming to Shanghai to pay a visit to the Shanghai College.

Mr. James C. Black.—Mr. Black is a commercial salesman of Portland, Oregon, coming to Shanghai for a period of six months after having made a flying trip through Japan. He is connected with the Japan China Import Company of Seattle, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Cannon.—Mr. Cannon is an electrical engineer of Chicago, coming to Canton for an indefinite stay.

Mr. Royale L. Bradley.—Mr. Bradley is connected with the National City Bank of New York and is going to Manila for a period of four years. Captain and Mrs. F. H. Fegen and son.—Captain Fegen is Surveyor for Lloyd's Agent at Kobe, Japan. Accompanied by his wife and son, and Mrs. Frances Reed, he is making a short stay in Hong Kong.

Mr. H. J. Granz.—Mr. Granz is a resident of Los Angeles, coming for a two weeks' visit in Hong Kong.

## PASSENGER LIST.

## ARRIVALS.

The following passengers arrived per the s.s. "President Grant" from Seattle via ports yesterday:—Mr. R. C. Burden, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Cannon, Master Chu Bao, Capt. and Mrs. F. H. Fegen, Mr. John Fegen, Mr. Geo. M. and Mrs. H. J. Granz, Mr. P. Hall, Mrs. Ho How-jung, Mr. J. E. Hopkins, Mr. Hoy Sang-ly, Mr. Koo, Mr. and Mrs. Kwan Shaw-tee, Mr. J. H. Lewis, Master Liao Ho, Mr. Lien Ping-shaw, Mr. Lun Shee, Mr. K. Maegawa, Mr. Pun Pak, Mr. Frances M. Reid, Mr. C. B. Shank, Mr. Tung Tso-sing, Mr. Ding Tsai, Mr. Sh. Wan, Mr. H. Wade, Mr. Wah Ching-chin, Mrs. T. Wong, Mrs. S. Wong, Mr. Woo Sai-sung, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Bushnell, Mr. B. L. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Brown, Sister Mary Catherine, Mr. P. S. Gravelly, Mr. E. A. Curry, Sister Felicitas, Mr. J. G. Hirsch.

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Tientsin	CHIPSANG	Sun., 20th Mar., at 7 a.m.
T'iau via Swatow & S'hai	MINGSANG	Sun., 20th Mar., at 7 a.m.
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## DEPARTURES.

The following passengers departed from Hong Kong per the s.s. "Siberia Maru" yesterday for San Francisco via ports:—Messrs. S. Tsuchida, T. Toshi, P. C. Hog, and A. L. Pink, Miss I. Suzuki, Mr. and Mrs. Mori, Messrs. V. M. Haimovich and M. Codsi, Bishop Holden, Messrs. Petrilli, W. R. Andrews, Mario Pirovano, E. N. Newton, F. E. Cormack, M. D. Corrin, J. T. Scurlett, Shum Sook-man, M. Soccoloff, Chau King-kwah, Rev. A. Paris, Messrs. Hata, Y. Suzuki, K. Matsumoto, and A. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. H. Matsumoto, Messrs. S. Kojima and S. Tsuchida, Mrs. Vaughn, Mrs. Hampton, Dr. E. D. Smith, Mrs. E. M. Smith, Miss M. B. Smith, Miss Mrs. Angles, Recto, Messrs. B. C. Smith, Mr. P. S. Gutierrez, Aurelio, Portillo and D. Grant Sellar, Mr. and Mrs. H. Ross, Messrs. T. Siroyal, M. M. Francis and E. E. Russell, Mrs. Catalina Johnson, Messrs. Chan She, H. L. Che, and Li Wa-po, Miss Yang Minci, Miss Li Shi-yuen, Mr. and Miss Ng Ping-chit.

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All Claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before 27th March, 1927, or they will not be recognized.

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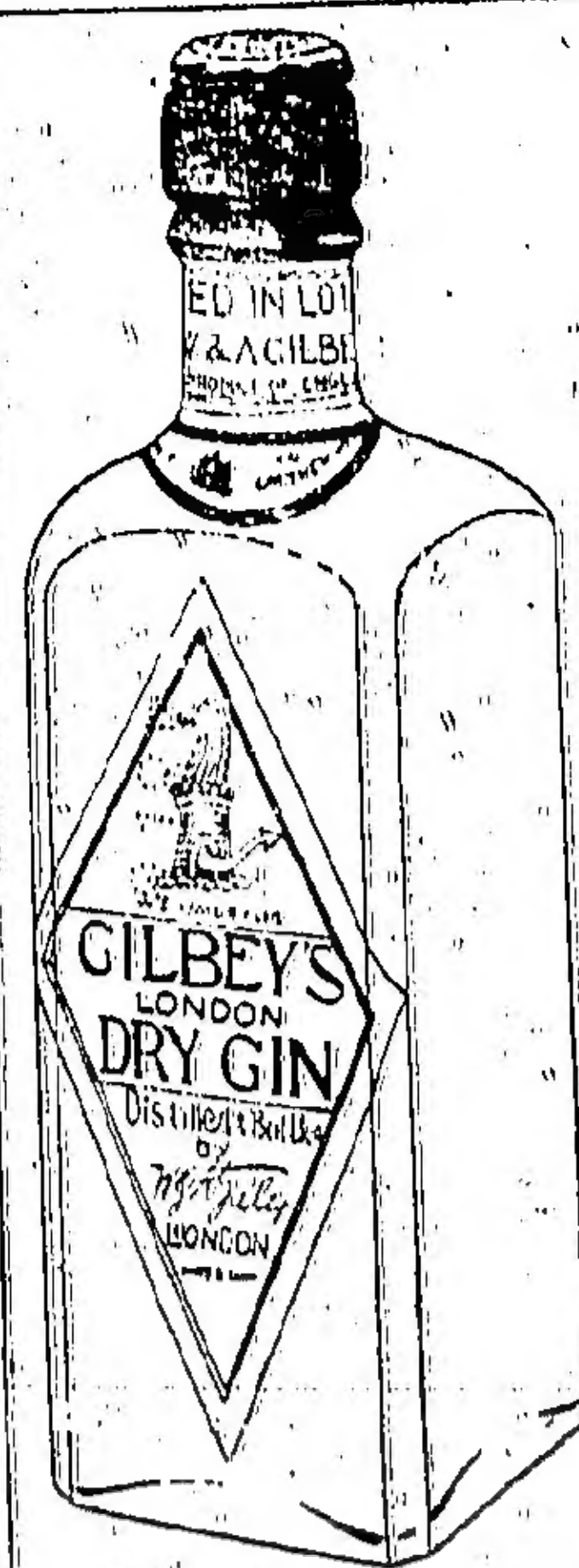
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Apr.	6	Seattle	Latvian	Apr.	30	C'org-S'hang	Apr.	3
Apr.	20	San Francisco	Aquaria	May	1	C'org-S'hang	May	1
Apr.	20	Seattle	Washington	May	18	C'org-S'hang	May	1
Apr.	18	San Francisco	Equibia	May	28	Panama City	May	2
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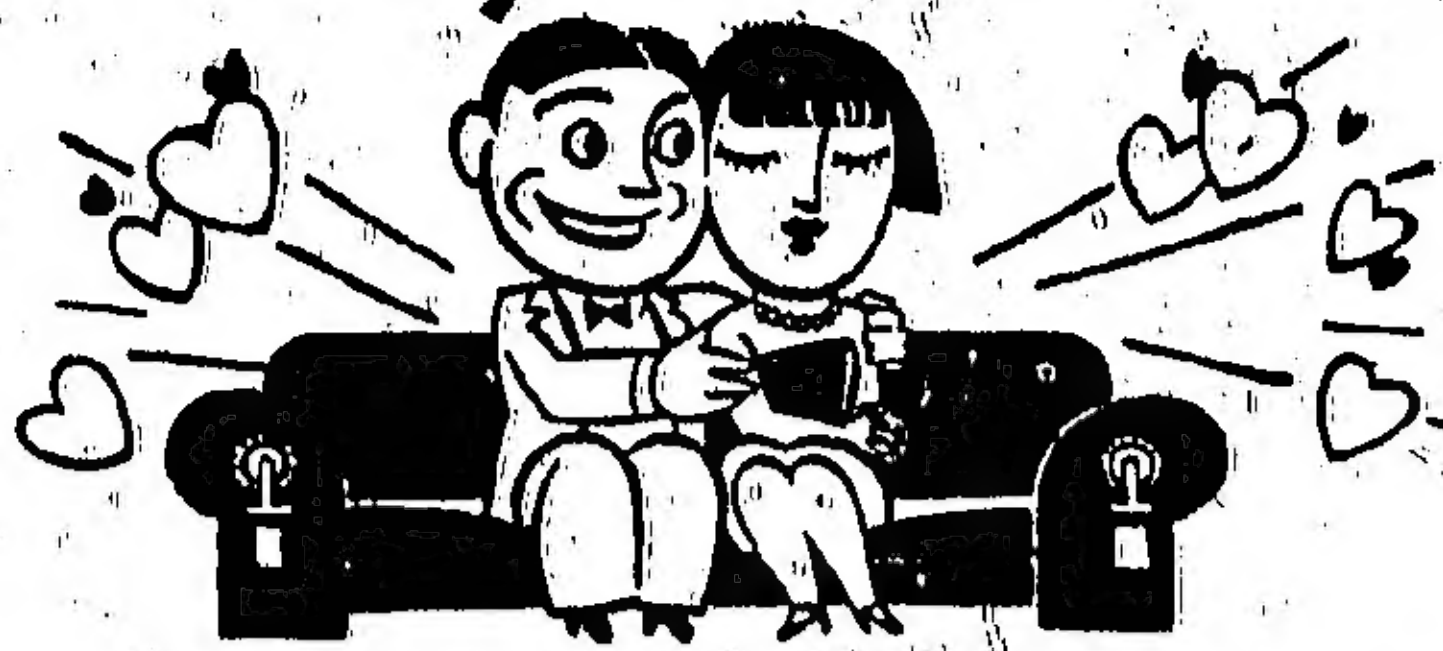
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## NEW AIR SERVICES.

With the expansion of air services throughout the Empire marking fresh progress year by year, it is natural to scan the annual Air Estimates of the Home Government to note how developments of the very recent past are to be followed up by State aid. Some months ago, in commenting on Sir Alan Cobham's flight to Australia and Home again, and to the proposed all-Red air lines this year, it was remarked that on the success of these undertakings would depend to a great extent our hopes of seeing the Empire air service extended to the Far East. The services between the Home Country, Egypt, India, and Singapore to Australia, and vice versa, it was pointed out, could not but pave the way in due course for an extension to Hong Kong and the Far East generally.

The Air Estimates, just published, more than warrant the long view of the position expressed some months ago. In a memorandum that accompanies the Estimates it is stated that flying boats will be provided with the intention of making an extensive cruise in 1928 as a self-contained unit in Far Eastern waters, finally visiting Australian ports. A survey of the route, we are informed, is at present being carried out by a ground party.

With the Far East on the map of aviation an immense stimulus should be given to the art and science of flying in this part of the world. The potentialities, apart from the naval and military

aspect, are immense. Excepting a few aerial globe-trotters and the presence in our midst of the flying machines attached to the Navy, the Far East has been all along in a kind of cul-de-sac in aviation matters. True, local records make mention of the formation "once upon a time" of an Aero Club, the existence of which to-day is an unknown quantity. If this part of the world is to move with the times, however, it must sooner or later come into line with the rest of the world in aviation. Moreover, as a Crown Colony, Hong Kong should stand to gain immeasurably by the expansion of the Empire air routes in this direction. It ought, in the first place to strengthen the Empire spirit. It ought to advance our commercial interests in no mean degree. And in divers other ways the Empire air line to the Far East should be productive of much good to all directly or indirectly concerned.

## CHINESE BISHOP.

PASSING THROUGH HONG KONG TO-DAY.

Returning from Rome to Shanghai via the United States, His Excellency, the Right Rev. Monsignor Simon Tsu, Bishop of Haimen, arrived to-day on the American mail liner "President Grant."

The Bishop of Haimen was born at Shanghai of Catholic parents, and his father, Nicholas Tsu, was a member of an eminent family whose Christianity dates back to the Jesuit Missionary efforts during the Ming dynasty. He was always a leading figure in missionary and welfare work. Bishop Tsu was educated by the Jesuit fathers and afterwards entered that order. He is accompanied by the Rev. Dr. James J. Morrissey, S.J., an Irish priest who studied in Rome where he entered the Jesuit order, and is now on his way to do missionary work in China, and also by his nephew, John Tsu, who is the Shanghai representative of the Buick Motor Car Company.

Bishop Tsu was ordained a priest in 1898 and after three years of priesthood was appointed "Foreign Vicar," which gave him jurisdiction over several religious communities. He was elevated to the Episcopate last October by His Holiness Pope Pius XI in the great basilica of St. Peter and bears the unique distinction of being the first Chinese ever consecrated a Bishop of the Roman Catholic Church. His Holiness has since created five more Chinese Bishops.

One case of smallpox (Chinese) and one case of enteric fever (British) were reported yesterday.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

RATIONALISM & R.P.A. DINNER.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail").  
Sir,—Regarding the excellent speeches made at the R.P.A. dinner and the concluding remarks made by Mr. E. R. Price for the Press, it is gratifying to note that the extra column is likely to be open for discussion for many days to come by people who—as he puts it—"gets rubbed the wrong way." Many therefore will, I hope, expect to see some interesting results.

As one who has enjoyed in controversy, the results of being rubbed the wrong way for some years and arrived thereby at some more or less definite conclusions, I am more than ever strongly of opinion that one's perspective should—as far as possible—be kept alive by putting off the fatal day when one becomes too old to learn.

Imagine, then, my delight in learning that some Rationalists are as averse to being rubbed the wrong way, or bombed with their own weapons, as Theologians with their own explosives.

Approximately a week before the dinner, as the result of a casual conversation on being asked to speak, I naturally welcomed the opportunity. I was thereupon asked to write it out for publication.

This was done and presented on February 28. By March 2 I was told that everything was arranged and that it was too late for me to append my speech as presented, which although too late for the dinner may not be too late for publication, abridgement or evasion.

Yours, etc.,

Hong Kong, March 6.

## THE UNDELIVERED SPEECH.

Ladies and gentlemen, to-night we are, I hope, in the mental atmosphere of freedom of expression where we, at least, feel that we can be intellectually honest, without reservation, and I would like to make a few comments upon the Rationalist position, as I see it, and must first say how pleased I am to see ladies present.

The agnostic position which seems to be held by so many rationalists was a term, as most of you are doubtless aware, coined by Huxley more I suggest, on the score of respectability than accuracy, in order to escape the odium usually cast upon Atheism by its misrepresentation. Nevertheless, with all due respect to his attainments, which I should be the last to deny, there is no doubt that it was founded upon a misconception. Why this should be, is not far to seek as, it stands for the negation of so many hereditary habits of mind, and traits of character, which disappear upon the understanding of the Atheistic position, and its scientific foundation. This, unfortunately, has not yet been reached by the majority of people, and I would like to see Rationalists adopt a more definite and, if I may say so, more honest and emphatic attitude, having no suggestion of compromise with the enemy.

After all there is nothing terrible in this term, Atheism. It is merely a negation of the belief in Theism, coming as it does from the Greek word Theos, a God; and A, the prefix, meaning not, does not imply a denial of the existence of "anything," but merely deals with the fundamental, gratuitous, and unwarrantable assumptions upon which all forms of Theism are based. On the contrary, Atheism, by implication, affirms a self-existent universe and the eternity of natural operations, as evidenced by the indestructibility of matter and the conservation of energy, the necessities of which are interpreted, exemplified, and formulated into demonstrable laws.

We now know the origin, birth, and can trace the painful disintegration of the Gods. What is it, then, the agnostic does not know? What is it about, that we are asked to suspend judgment? One might as well attempt to argue upon the attributes of a vacuum by first creating your own "difficulty" and then asking someone else to solve it, upon some abstract metaphysical, without any concrete basis of thought or material to work upon whatever; the real difficulty, it seems to me, is to know what the agnostic is agnostic about, and is almost as bad as religion, which, defined, is a something or another about something that nobody knows anything whatever about.

Atheism involves and implies the reality of something to think with and something to think about, and the organisation or process of interaction between nerve and brain in contact with external reality by means of senses, we call mind. The processes and laws of thought are now well known and before the theologian or metaphysician—who talk so glibly of immateriality—can justify their fundamental theses, they must first indicate by what means or process they assert immateriality, apart from organisation, can think.

I would like to see the agnosticism of Rationalism a thing of the past; free thought more dynamic in its secular ethics and expression, and therefore would define Rationalism as the final residue of thought, which as its confined road through many settings, at last, encounters the free master of rationalism, the age-old master of superstition, the only real test, or measure of the progress of intellectual paths and logical of civilisation.

## TROOPS LEAVE.

SCENES AT SOUTHAMPTON DOCKS.

STIRRING AND PATHETIC.

Stirring, and at the same time pathetic, scenes of farewell were witnessed on the quayside at Southampton docks, when the 1st Batt. Green Howards and the 1st Batt. Devonshire Regiment embarked in the transports "Assaye" and "Kildonan Castle," respectively for China. The Green Howards were the first to arrive, and, under the direction of the embarkation staff, the shipment of arms and accoutrements was expeditiously effected. Just before the vessel sailed General Sir Edward Bulfin, Colonel-in-chief of the regiment, passed up the gangway to take leave of the troops, and as he stepped aboard the band played the General's Salute and the regimental march past. He gave the officers and men his good wishes, and expressed the hope that he would see them back in Yorkshire by September at latest. The object of their going to China, he pointed out, was not for the purpose of fighting but in order to afford a measure of protection. He realised that it might be a difficult situation, and his advice was that tempers should be kept and tongues made quiet.

The Girl He Left Behind Him.  
On the quayside stood a girl, the wife of a corporal on board, to whom she was married a few weeks ago, who had travelled from London to say good-bye. She made a brave attempt to smother her feelings when the moment of parting came. As the ship moved off, about one o'clock, a storm of cheers rang out from the hundreds of hat-waving soldiers who had captured every point of vantage on board, and popular choruses were vigorously sung.

Similar scenes marked the arrival and departure of the Devons, who were commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel Scafe, C.M.G., D.S.O. (Although a high wind and a choppy sea seemed to predict a rough night in the Channel, the troops were in the happiest of moods as their vessel moved off down Southampton Water about four o'clock.

London Scenes.  
The s.s. "Karmala" and the s.s. "Herminius" left the Royal Albert Dock for China with three battalions of Infantry—the 1st Middlesex Regiment, the 1st Cameronians, and the 1st Border Regiment—together with some officers' and men of the Royal Artillery and other units.

The two ships had been in the dock for several days being refitted, and the work was still going on when two special trains arrived with the advance guards of the various units, and eight armoured cars and stores, which during the day were taken on board.

The main body of troops, reached London in nine special trains, arriving between eleven p.m. and midday. The transport left the dock in the early afternoon.

Scenes of great enthusiasm were witnessed at Woolwich, when No. 12 Mechanical Trans-

outcome of mental growth—Atheism.

It leaves the mind clear for the calm, dispassionate study of human problems and social relationships.

We want intellectual honesty to become more common; now so difficult of expression in modern Society.

We can visualise a state of social sanity free from the superstition of fear, the tacit assumption that Might is Right, transplanted by a comprehension of the futility of war, and the monopoly of either, which threatens to destroy so much that has been gained through ages of suffering due to ignorance of what we really are.

The nature, and psychological misconceptions of religious fervour have only served to accentuate the primitive instincts, mental infirmities, and illusions of the childhood of the human race, right up to the modern Church with its blessings upon the banners and instruments of war.

I should like to see every effort made to cultivate as far as humanly possible the unbiased impersonal attitude of mind over disagreements upon matters of opinion, with that measure of self control which leads to the diversion of all forms of violence, to the intellectual sphere, where issues can be fought out, conclusions, having definite results, unattainable by any other means; and, in so far as we are able to interpret the growing corporate consciousness of human understanding—associated, as it is, with the accumulative experiences of mankind in the evolutionary path from childhood to maturity, we are able by the elimination of errors, to co-ordinate truths, and consolidate data, for the benefit of those yet to come, and the lessons they may learn from our struggles, to which all, at last, encounter what extent we have shaken off the shackles of superstition, the only real test, or measure of the progress of civilisation.

port Company of the Royal Army Service Corps marched from the barracks to the station, where they entrained for the first part of their journey to China. Preparations were completed at an early hour, and at seven a.m. the company left the barracks, headed by the Royal Artillery band playing lively airs. Other troops in barracks turned out and cheered them heartily, and on the way to the station there was also much cheering. Many of their comrades made their way to the station, and cheers were renewed as the train moved out.

Coldstream Guards.  
When the 2nd Battalion Coldstream Guards left Wellington Barracks for China to fulfil its task as a portion of the Shanghai Defence Force, large crowds assembled to give it a hearty send-off.

The battalion marched to Waterloo Station, where it entrained for Southampton at 11.15 a.m.

The troops paraded about 9.30 a.m., and the march began at 10.15 a.m., Waterloo Station being reached at about 10.45 a.m. The shortest route was followed, viz.:

Birdcage Walk,  
Great George Street,  
Bridge Street,  
Westminster Bridge,  
York Road,  
Waterloo Station.

The Band of the Scots Guards was detailed to accompany the battalion as far as Waterloo Station, as well as the Coldstreamers' own band. The Scots Guards bandmen wore service dress. Pipers were included. The Coldstreamers' band went with the battalion as far as Southampton, where on arrival the troops embarked at once in the "Kinfauns Castle."

The day before departure, Wellington Barracks were the scene of busy preparations. Outwardly, however, there were few signs to indicate that anything special was happening. There was no ceremony, and the inspection by the General Officer Commanding the London District, which had been arranged to take place at noon, was cancelled. Most of the men were occupied with packing, cleaning up, and putting the final touches to their kits.

## THE PEAK TRAM.

NEW AND BIGGER CARS INTRODUCED.

The introduction by the Peak Tramway Company yesterday of two new and bigger trams which will be greatly welcomed by all Peak residents caused a temporary interruption in the service in the forenoon while tests were being carried out.

There were no cars available for passengers in the morning but the normal service was resumed in the afternoon.

It is with a view to relieving congestion at the busy hours of the day that the longer cars have been introduced. Although carrying many more passengers, the new cars are not heavier than those which have been in use. When fully loaded they will, of course, weigh more, but this will not make any difference to the safe and satisfactory working of the system.

It will be remembered that last year the Peak Tramway winding plant was brought up to the most modern standards by the transference of power from steam to electricity.

## AT THE STAR.

"CLASSIFIED" TO-DAY ONLY.

It's one thing to live in a mere "street." It's quite another thing to have an "address."

Babs Comet, who worked in the classified ad. department of the big newspaper, lived in the one and yearned for the other. Big Central Park, which divides West from East in New York represented to her a veritable and literal gulf in social distinctions.

How was Bab to bridge this gulf?

The type that Corinne Griffith depicts is a new one to her, and its limning is perfect. Jack Mulhall is ideal as the mechanic who outdistances the smitten aristocrat, played by Ward Crane, for the favour of the impudent little want ad. girl. In the supporting cast, each one of whom fits perfectly into his niche, are such prime meridian monopolists as Charles Murray and George Sidney.

## ALLEGED THEFT.

DEVELOPMENT IN TRIOR CASE.

Ernest Trevor, charged with alleged theft from guests of the Glenaly Hotel, was again before Major Willson at the Central Magistrate's court this morning.

He now claims to have taken the articles merely as security for money due to him.

His Worship fixed Thursday as the date of hearing of the case.



## LATEST CABLES.

## KIUKIANG'S UNCONDITIONAL RETURN.

## THE \$40,000 CHEQUE.

Hankow, March 4. Mr. Eugene Chen has handed Mr. O'Malley a cheque for \$40,000 covering the damage suffered by sixteen British subjects at Kiukiang.

Notes were exchanged Mr. Chen and Mr. O'Malley on March 2 in which the British Government agrees to cancel the British Municipal regulations and to hand over unconditionally the administration of the area at Kiukiang to the Nationalist Government on March 15.

The Nationalist Government agrees to confirm the existing Band Frontage Licences issued by the British authorities during the current ten years.

The distribution of the \$40,000 is left entirely to the British Government.—Reuter.

## FURTHER TRAGEDY.

## MINING DISASTER MOURNERS KILLED.

## MOTOR BUS OVERTURNS.

London, March 6. Two men were killed and 23 injured when a motor bus conveying people to Cwm to attend the funeral of the mining disaster victims turned over and falling over a bank.—Reuter.

## Mine Disaster.

## Rugby, March 5.

The fund opened by the Lord Mayor of London for the relief of the families of the miners killed in the mine disasters at Cwm and Blithorpe has in one day reached the sum of about £26,000. His Majesty the King sent £100 and Her Majesty the Queen £50. The Miners' Federation, which has also opened a fund, has received in one day £10,000, a large proportion of which is in shillings and sixpences.—British Wireless Service.

## CYCLONE HAVOC.

## SHIPPING TOWN COMPLETELY WRECKED.

## FIVE HUNDRED KILLED.

Capetown, March 5. It is reported from Port Louis, Mauritius, that five hundred people have been killed in a cyclone at Tamatave, Madagascar.

The cyclone "struck the east side of the island, and devastated Tamatave. The steamers "Citania" and "Ville de Marseilles" collided and were driven ashore.—Reuter.

Paris, March 5. According to reports received here by commercial shipping houses, many ships anchored in Tamatave harbour have been lost. No official information has hitherto been received.—Reuter.

A wireless message received by Lloyd's from the steamer "General Duchesne" via Mauritius, states that the damage in the Madagascar cyclone amounts to over 100,000,000 francs. The town and harbour of Tamatave are completely wrecked.—Reuter.

## MISSING AVIATORS.

## STARTED ON FOOT FOR CAPE JUBY.

Casablanca, March 6. The French air company's aeroplane landed near the wreck of Larre Borges's aeroplane.

Local Moors informed the occupants that the Uruguayan airmen have started on foot for Cape Juby.—Reuter.

## Earlier Messages.

Paris, March 5. A message from Agadir says that the seaplane, with the Uruguayan airmen, Major Larre Borges and his brother, has been found sixty miles North-East of Cape Juby in Spanish West Africa.—Reuter.

Seized By Tribesmen. Casablanca, March 6. The seaplane of the Uruguayan airmen Major Larre Borges, who with several companions left Rome on February 20, to fly to South America, was found smashed to pieces sixty miles North-East of Cape Juby, in Spanish West Africa. There is no trace of the airmen. Moorish tribes in the neighbourhood are still in revolt. Apparently the airmen alighted on the sea owing to a breakdown, sought refuge on a beach and came to grief in crossing the bar of the river.—Reuter.

Madrid, March 6. A message from Las Palmas says that a native has reported that Larre Borges and three others are unhurt but have been seized by tribesmen.—Reuter.

## AIR ESTIMATES.

## AN INDIA TO FAR EAST SERVICE.

## EXPENDITURE AT SINGAPORE.

London, March 5. The Air Estimates amount to £15,550,000—a reduction of £450,000.

The personnel will be 33,000 compared with 35,500.

Air expenditure in the Middle East is reduced by £680,000 due to the diminution of the air garrison at Iraq from eight squadrons to five.

On the other hand the fleet air arm demands an additional £201,000 to raise the strength from 18 to 23 flights, representing a development in accordance with the Admiralty's aircraft carriers programme, the net increase in the air force being approximately six squadrons.—Reuter.

## Far East Service.

The memorandum accompanying the Air Estimates refers to the preparations progressing for a long-distance flight with flying boats with the object of developing a service air route between India and the Far East.

It states that boats will be provided in 1927 with the intention of making an extensive cruise in 1928 as a self-contained unit in Far Eastern waters, finally visiting Australian ports. A survey of the route is at present being carried out by a ground party.—Reuter.

Later. The Air Estimates include £83,000 towards the provision of aerodrome facilities at Singapore.—Reuter.

## Sixty-Three Squadrons.

London, March 5. The net Air Estimates for the coming year total £15,550,000 compared with £16,000,000 for the current year. In a memorandum accompanying the estimates, it is stated that operational units now maintained are equivalent to sixty-three squadrons, of which fifty-six are on a regular basis.

Two new non-regular squadrons—one special reserve and one auxiliary—Air Force—have been formed and the Home Defence Force has also been increased by the addition of one regular squadron, which becomes available through the reduction in the Imperial Garrison in Iraq.

The Home Defence Force now consists of 28 squadrons, including seven on non-regular basis. More than half the original programme of 52 squadrons has thus been completed.

It is intended to form two new regular squadrons for Home Defence during the financial year of 1927. In addition one new non-regular squadron will be formed. Provision is made for five new figures equivalent to two and a half squadrons for the fleet air arms. These are required for commission as an aircraft carrier in course of the financial year.

The strength of the fleet air arm will thereby be raised from eighteen to twenty-three flights, equivalent to about eleven and a half squadrons.

One new squadron will also commence to form for army co-operation at Home in addition to four squadrons already provided. This is called for by development of Catterick as an army training centre.

Increased Strength. It will thus be seen that it is prepared in all to increase the strength of the Royal Air Force during the year by the addition of approximately six squadrons or their equivalent.

As a consequence of the settlement of the northern boundary question and of the progress in the development of Iraq, the Army air garrison in Iraq is being reduced from eight squadrons to five. In all eleven and one third squadrons are at present located in Middle Eastern theatres. Six squadrons continue to be maintained in India.—British Wireless Service.

## LEAGUE COUNCIL.

## GERMAN TO PRESIDE AT MEETING.

Rugby, March 6. Sir Austen Chamberlain, British Foreign Secretary, arrived at Geneva this morning to attend the meeting of the Council of the League of Nations which opens to-morrow and over which for the first time a German—Dr. Stresemann—will preside.—British Wireless Service.

## WHARF ACCIDENT.

Whilst working cargo on board the "City of Bath" at No. 2 Holt's Wharf yesterday, a coila was injured by some iron plates falling on him. He was taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital in a critical condition. The accident occurred through a chain breaking whilst the iron was being hoisted on the crane.

## HOME FOOTBALL.

## RESULTS OF SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

## SURPRISES IN THE LEAGUE.

By virtue of their defeat of Swansea and Wolverhampton Wanderers respectively, Reading and Arsenal have entered the semi-final in the English Cup. Chelsea and Cardiff, and Millwall and Southampton played drawn matches. Replays will probably take place during the week.

The Arsenal's victory over the Wolves was expected, but Reading's defeat of Swansea was a surprise as the latter with 33 points are in a better position than their conquerors who have 27 points to their credit.

Some unusually high scoring occurred in the league, as will be seen from the tables below:—

## THE ENGLISH CUP.

## (Sixth Round).

Chelsea 0, Cardiff 0.  
Arsenal 1, Wolves 1.  
Swansea 1, Reading 3.  
Millwall 0, Southampton 0.

## THE SCOTTISH CUP.

## (Fourth Round).

Falkirk 2, Rangers 2.  
Barnes 2, Celtic 5.  
Partick 5, Dundee U. 0.  
Aberdeen 0, East Fife 3.

Division I.  
Aston Villa 3, Sunderland 1.  
Bolton W. 1, West Brom. 2.  
Burnley 3, Blackburn 1.  
Derby 1, 4, Birmingham 1.

Division II.  
Liverpool 3, Wednesday 0.  
Manchester U. 1, Bury 2.  
Newcastle 3, Everton 1.  
Sheffield U. 3, Tottenham 3.

Division III.  
Bradford C. 0, Darlington 1.  
Hull 2, Grimsby 3.  
Middlesbrough 1, Notts. Forest 0.  
Port Vale 3, Barnsley 2.  
Preston N.E. 5, Oldham 2.  
South Shields 1, Fulham 1.

Division III. (South).  
Brentford 3, Crystal Pal. 0.  
Brighton 3, Gillingham 2.  
Bristol R. 4, Queens' P. R. 1.  
Exeter 1, Bristol C. 1.  
Luton 4, Newport 1.

Division IV.  
Merthyr 4, Bournemouth 6.  
Northampton 3, Watford 2.  
Norwich 2, Aberdare 2.  
Southend 1, Plymouth 2.  
Swindon 2, Charlton 0.

Division III. (North).  
Accrington 3, Walsall 5.  
Barrow 0, Stoke 0.  
Crewe 1, Doncaster 3.  
Durham 3, Nelson 3.  
Halifax 4, Rotherham 2.  
Hartlepool 2, Wigan 1.  
Lincoln 5, Bradford 1.

Division IV.  
Southport 7, New Brighton 2.  
Stockport 3, Wrexham 2.  
Rochdale 5, Ashington 0.  
Tranmere 3, Chesterfield 2.

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

## Division I.

Glyde 2, Hibernians 0.  
Hamilton 4, Cowdenbeath 2.  
Kilmarnock 2, Queens' Park 2.  
St. Mirren 2, St. Johnstone 1.

Division II.  
Glasgow 3, Celtic 2.  
Dundee 2, Rangers 1.  
Aberdeen 2, Hearts 1.  
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Aberdeen 2, Hearts 1.

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Dundee 2, Rangers 1.  
Aberdeen 2, Hearts 1.

Division VI.  
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Division X.  
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## LOCAL RUGBY.

## DEVONS AND CLUB DRAW.

In spite of the fact that they have just completed a long sea-voyage the 1st Batt. Devonshire Regt. gave a good account of themselves on the Rugby field against the Hong Kong Football Club, an evenly contested match resulting in a draw of 4 points each.

The teams were:  
Hong Kong F.C.: Summers, Pritchard, Garrard, King, Lammer, Wales, Buckett, Pugh, Williams, Foster, Stephenson, Middleton Smith, Treves, Mackintosh, Lee, Akhurst.

1st Devons: Buntington, Hooper, Douglas, Mackay, Blight, Hill, Wadham, Davidson, Elliot, Paine, Peppin, Godfrey, Hardy, Redfern, Buxton.

Referee: Mr. S. J. Jordan.

From the kick-off the Devons attacked. A fine handling movement by the backs carried play to the Club line when Wales relieved with a good kick to touch.

The Club forwards were heeling to advantage and gave their three-quarters every opportunity to regain the lost ground but faulty handling prevented them from making any headway.

Devons First to Score.

The soldiers kept up the attack and were playing a sound game but the Club defence held out until Blight "diddled" the opposition by going round the blind-side of the scrum. He scored a well deserved try at the corner. The kick at goal failed.

Up to this point the Devons deserved the lead as their play was superior to that of the Club.

The Club three were at fault and could not settle down to take their passes. On one occasion Lammer secured possession and gained ground but a clever save and kick by Mackay saved the situation and play remained in the Club half.

Shortly after this the Club came more into the picture and good foot-work by the forwards carried play near the Devons' line.

Club-Press & Draw Level.

From a scrum, Wales secured the ball and opened up the play, with a nice break through but his pass was not taken and a chance to score was lost.

The Club returned to the attack and made a bold bid to penetrate the infantrymen's defence.

At last the pressure told and from a scrum near the Devons' line, Lammer obtained the ball and forced his way over at the corner. His kick at goal fell short.

Half time: the Club (1 try) 3 points—1st Devons (1 try) 3 points.

So far the Club had improved and considering that they were playing with only 14 men (Williams having to go off early in the game with a damaged thumb), they did very well to draw level before the interval.

On resuming, the Club forced the Devons to defend and it was tough and go for a score when the ball was carried over and one of the Devons backs had to touch down.

Blunting the Devons.

At this point Williams returned and helped to ease matters for the Club forwards who had been putting a little extra vim into their play. But this extra pressure was needed and the three were receiving the ball from nearly every scrum. Although the Club could not score owing to the good defence put up by the Devons they kept the soldiers in their own twenty-five.

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## AT THE QUEEN'S.

## "EXCHANGE OF WIVES" TO-DAY.

Briefly the story deals with the husband of a reserved wife who meets and kisses the affectionate wife of another man, only to be detected by his better half and the husband of his new-found love.

Then the reserved wife, to bring about a showdown, contrives to have the four of them spend a week at her husband's camp. And within a short time she has her purpose fulfilled. She finds her husband and the other wife in each other's arms.

Whereupon she sets out to solve the difficulty; the husbands must exchange their wives, each of whom is to cook for the other's mate in separate cabins. Each of the men is to be in his own lodge by ten each night. The plan is enthusiastically received by the other three.

It is no time before the erstwhile love-starved husband is satisfied with kisses and—canned junk; and the other husband is stuffed with good food and starved for love. Then each man tries to hoodwink the other, but the wives make them keep to their bargains.

But then when the now well-fed husband begins to brag about cause "about the reserved wife's love-making, matters reach a climax. And both husbands undergo a change of temperament and each, in his way, subdues his wife.

Eleanor Boardman and Lew Cody play the Rathbuns, the reserved wife and her mate, and Renee Adoree and Creighton Hale the Moirans, the other couple. The picture was adapted to the screen by Frederic and Fanny Hatton from a stage play by Cosmo Hamilton.

## WORLD THEATRE.

## "HIS JAZZ BRIDE" TO-DAY ONLY.

Marie Prevost as "The Jazz Bride" of Matt Moore has been told by her selfish married friend, played by Mabel Julienne Scott, that the way to enjoy married life is to win the first battle, keep hubby at the office fourteen hours a day trying to pay the bills and turn her attention to upholding his social position with some good fast, fashionable crowd.

So the little jazz bride tried it, but her husband died hard and her reactions upon each other prove very interesting. The bad friend's husband, played by George Irving, succumbs when his chance to make some graft money comes and as a result another defective pleasure boat is launched upon the Hudson, to imperil hourly the lives of its passengers. One night the two foolish wives with their escorts, portrayed by Don Alvarado and John Patrick, attend a wild party on the boat. It is overloaded.

What happened to the midnight revellers on the jazz and gin soaked pleasure boat? What did the boy's mother and the girl's mother, played by Margaret Seddon and Helen Dunbar, think and do about the situation? These questions are interestingly, satisfactorily, and thrillingly answered in the film.

## COMING FILMS.

## "DETAILS OF NEXT WEEK'S PICTURES.

To age thirty years during the course of a picture was the difficult task accomplished by Otto Hoffman, who plays a character role in "The Circle," to be shown next week.

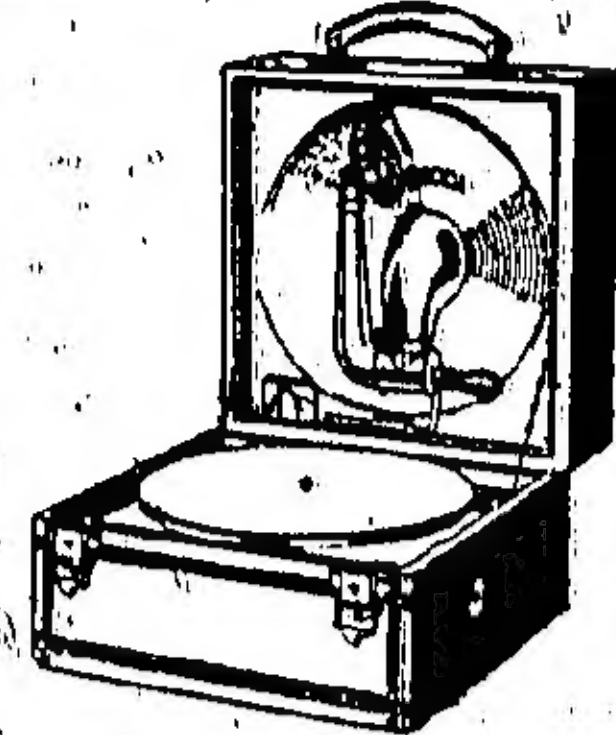
The character which Hoffman portrays appears in both the prologue and the play between which a lapse of thirty years occurs. It was at first believed that a double would have to be used for Hoffman in the prologue, but a test showed that he could overcome the difficult task.

The picture was directed by Frank Borzage for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer with a noted cast, including Eleanor Boardman, George Fawcett, Alec E. Francis, Eugene Bessner, Malcolm McGregor, Creighton Hale, Otto Hoffman and Eulalie Jensen.

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Lord Knarborough, who registered six trunks at Bordeaux Station to Cannes, on his arrival at Cannes found that jewels to the value of 40,000fr (about £320), which had been placed in one of the trunks had disappeared.

Intense opposition to the bold scheme for removing the Covent Garden Market to the site of the old Foundling Hospital at Bloomsbury was mentioned at the general meeting of Beecham Estates, Limited, at which the Chairman announced that the scheme had been definitely abandoned.

Mr. E. J. Garland (Alberta) proposes to introduce a motion in the Canadian House of Commons to change the title of Canada from Dominion to the Kingdom of Canada. The proposed resolution also states that in His Majesty's title it is inexpedient that Canada should be massed with Crown Colonies, large or small, under the British Dominions.

The Prince of Wales has under consideration the publication in book form of selections from his speeches. In publishing his speeches the Prince will be following the example of King George, who in 1911 consented to the publication in book form of his "speeches and messages." It was entitled "The King to his People," and it, too, covered a wide range of subjects, most of the speeches having been made before his accession to the throne.

The local Chin Woo Athletic Association celebrated its 6th anniversary at the Tai Ping Theatre yesterday when an interesting programme of music, boxing, fencing and dancing was gone through for the benefit of a large number of guests, and the prizes and certificates awarded by the Association and interested members of the Chinese community were presented by Sir Shou-son Chow. Among the young athletes who contributed to the "gymkhana" were several young lady members of the Association.

It was revealed at the annual meeting of the Charity Organisation Society at Kenda that a woman member of the Penny Savings Bank managed by the society recently went into the officials, told them proudly that she was going to buy with the money a new costume, which would be the first she had had for twenty years. The president of the society (Mr. Jacob Wakefield) said this must be a record. He had never heard of a woman going without a dressmaker's bill for such a long time.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

According to the "Daily Chronicle" Sir Austen Chamberlain threatened to resign on the Russian issue if the anti-Reds prevailed in the Cabinet.

The King and Queen sent a message of congratulation to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Halsey, of St. Albans, who celebrated the 70th anniversary of their wedding day. They were both born at Hitchin 93 years ago and were married in London. They have had ten children, while there are 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Home papers announce the death of Viscount Valentia, which occurred at Bletchington Park in his eighty-fourth year, after some months of illness. Arthur Annesley was eleventh Viscount in a creation originating from 1621, and was the premier baronet of Ireland. His eldest son Arthur, a captain in the 10th Hussars, was killed in action in November, 1914, and his heir and successor in Major the Hon. Caryl Arthur James Annesley who was formerly private secretary and comptroller to Prince Arthur of Connaught.

Canon Richard Godfrey Parsons, of Birch Rectory, Rusholme, was consecrated first Suffragan Bishop of Middleton, in the diocese of Manchester, on January 25. The Archbishop of York was assisted in the ceremony by the Bishops of Withby, Hull, Knarborough, Pretoria, Southwell, Ripon, Manchester, Bradford, Newcastle, Wakefield, and Durham, and the Bishops of Manchester and Pretoria presented the Bishop-elect to the Archbishop.

Lady Maud Hoare, interviewed at Cairo on February 10, was enthusiastic as regards the flight to India and back to Cairo. She said that during the return flight from Delhi she read, wrote and slept generally. She said she enjoyed the thrill of flying and grew lyrical over beauty scenes they passed over, especially the colouring of the hills-tops in the Persian Gulf. Stimulated by Lady Maud's example, Mrs. Louis Bennett, the donor of the Royal Air Force memorial window in Westminster Abbey, flew to Baghdad on February 10 on an air liner.

A nine-years-old Chinese girl was removed to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries received through being knocked down by a motor car owned by Mr. Tregillus, No. 10 Pence Avenue, Homuntin.



Gilbert K. Chesterton, the noted English essayist and critic.

A bulletin, signed by Dr. Gudenus, published at Vienna states that the ex-Empress Zita and her eight children are all suffering from influenza in their house at Lequeitio, a fishing village on the north coast of Spain. The eldest, the Archduke Otto, who is 14 and expects one day to be crowned King of Hungary, and Rudolf have developed inflammation of the lungs, but their brothers and sisters, the youngest of whom is five, are recovering.

It is authoritatively stated that Princess Charlotte, ex-Empress of Mexico and aunt of King Albert, who died, aged 88, left £400,000. The State takes 60 per cent, while a certain amount will go to the Princess's servants. The remainder will be divided among the six legal heirs, of whom King Albert is one, and it is thought that they will each receive from £20,000 to £24,000. The fortune is at present sequestered because the Empress, who became an Austrian by marriage, was legally an enemy subject.

The King and Queen of Denmark recently paid a visit to Cannes.

Lady Bailey, wife of Sir Abe Bailey, Bart., Lord Ossulton, and the Hon. Geoffrey Cunliffe are taking delivery of 1927-type Moth aeroplanes. These machines, at a speed of 98 miles an hour and carry two people, with a petrol consumption of 20 miles to the gallon.



Mr. Russell Wood, of the White House Secret Service, who has been appointed guard for John Colledge, the President's son, while at school.

The following deaths were announced at Home in mail week:—Admiral Sir Laurence Elliot Power, Director of Dockyards 1917-1923, at the Old Vicarage House, Corsham, Wiltshire. The Countess of Kimberley, wife of the Earl of Kimberley (who in 1922 associated himself with the Labour Party) and mother of Lord Wodehouse, the noted polo player and ex-M.P. at the Prince's Hotel, Brighton; and the Rev. Edward Parrell, formerly a missionary in East Africa and rector of Bourne, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire, from 1894 to 1925, at Eardean.

Among those summoned at Woking, Surrey, for motoring offences was Lord North, of Walsingham Park, Dover. Lord North did not appear and the Bench ordered that a warrant should be issued.

The South African Auditor-General reports that the expenses of the Union Government in connection with the visit of the Prince of Wales in 1925 were £25,000. The Government, however, saved £41,000 by the release of 15,000 prisoners in honour of the occasion.

Mr. M. C. Harman, the new owner of Lundy, the island kingdom in the Bristol Channel and a former pirate stronghold, recently purchased a herd of young deer and hopes to transport them from the mainland—when the weather moderates. Mr. Harman, a City man, bought the island in 1925 for £15,000. The 40 or 50 islanders pay neither rates nor taxes.

An extension of a liquor licence for a function of a lodge of Froth Blowers was applied for at Eastbourne by Mr. H. Ford, of the Royal Hotel. Mr. Reynolds, a magistrate, said that to ask for an extension for a new society like the Froth Blowers was almost criminal. "Blowing froth off their wretched pots," he added contemptuously. Mr. Ford: You have to blow the froth off ginger beers, and I think you have a wrong idea about the Froth Blowers. There are over 200,000 Froth Blowers in England and they disbursed £20,000 among waifs and strays in London. The magistrates refused to grant the extension.

"I myself make a regular practice of getting out of a hot bath and then going out just as I am on to the balcony and doing physical jerks," said Professor Leonard Hill, director of the department of Applied Physiology in the National Institute of Medical Research, in a lecture. "Of course," he added, "I need hardly say that my home stands in a very secluded spot." (Laughter). Hot or cold baths were very stimulating. A bath of medium temperature had a wonderfully quietening effect. The tepid bath was now a regular form of treatment for nervously irritable inmates of mental hospitals. Some patients were practically made to live in the bath.

Mr. Stanley Jackson, the ex-Yorkshire and England cricketer, was knighted by King George recently on taking up the appointment of Governor of Bengal.

The resignation of Major-General Macbrion, Chief of Staff, Department of National Defence, Canada, has now been explained. He has offered his services to the War Office for the Chinese Expeditionary Force. His resignation will probably take effect from May 1.

Now anxious personally to execute the will of her husband, Sir Robert Houston, the shipping magnate, who left £7,000,000, Lady Houston is seeking to secure the abandonment of the special power of attorney granted to Mr. Vivian John Railhache, the Crown solicitor for Jersey, whereby she appointed him executor. The ecclesiastical authorities before whom the executor takes oath declare that they are not in a position to accede to Lady Houston's request and that, unless the Royal Court agrees to the abandonment of the power in question, she cannot be sworn in. The view is held in Jersey that the court will decline to grant this.

The engagement of Mr. Alec Paterson to Miss F. M. Baker will interest a very wide public. Mr. Paterson being His Majesty's Commissioner of Prisons and Director of Convict Prisons since 1922, remarks a gossip writer in a Home paper. Although he takes no trouble to make his name known to the general public, it would be no great prison-reformers of the century, since he is largely responsible for the reform and humanisation of the Borstal institutions, and notably for the introduction into their service of public school men. Mr. Paterson is also the author of "Across the Bridges," a book which caused a sensation before the war by its vivid presentation of the London slum life. During the war Mr. Paterson served as a private in the Birmingham Battalion, later taking a commission and winning the M.C. He is an enthusiastic cricketer and a fine player, and always insists upon fielding at slip point when he joins in the Borstal cricket matches.

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## SPORTS SECTION

## WEEK-END CRICKET.

## I.R.C. SECOND DIVISION CHAMPIONS.

## C.R.C. AGAIN DEFEATED.

The I.R.C. has won the second division championship for the second time in the history of the Club, the previous occasion being in the 1923-4 season. They have never won the senior championship.

Only a draw was good enough to make them undisputed champions when they met the C.S.R.C. 2nd XI on Saturday. It was lucky that this was so as the Civil Service succeeded in doing just the thing the spectators had provided for.

League tables to date are as under:-

Division I.	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Kowloon	8	6	1	1	19
Royal Navy	8	5	2	1	17
Civil Service	9	4	4	1	15
University	9	3	2	4	11
Indian R.C.	6	3	1	2	10
H.K.C.C.	4	2	3	1	9
K.O.S.B.	4	2	1	1	7
R.A.	5	2	0	3	6
Chungking	6	1	0	5	3
Chinese R.C.	8	0	0	7	3
R.R. & K.C. of S.	4	0	0	3	0

## League I.

## "VARSITY BEAT C.R.C."

Playing at Causeway Bay on Saturday afternoon the Chinese R.C. were compelled to concede two points to a strong University side, by eight wickets. Scores:-

T. E. Yeoh, b. Rumpelshausen	32
H. C. Hing, c. & b. Rumpelshausen	3
Ng Sze-kwong, b. Rumpelshausen	0
H. L. Young, b. Rumpelshausen	0
H. Ching, c. F. Zimmerman, b. W. M. Gittins	25
C. E. Wong, b. Rumpelshausen	3
Un How-fan, c. Lam, b. Lee	0
W. K. Cheung, st. Ponsonby Fane, b. Rumpelshausen	5
K. L. Chan, b. Rumpelshausen	8
P. S. Wong, c. Sany, b. W. M. Gittins	1
J. C. Hung, not out	1
Extras	4

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Lee	6	0	18
Rumpelshausen	12	4	24
S. V. Gittins	4	1	12
W. M. Gittins	3	0	15

## League II.

## I.R.C. &amp; C.S.C.C. DRAW.

Playing at home the C.S.C.C. 2nd XI tied the I.R.C. second down to a draw on Saturday. Scores:-

M. P. Madar, c. Harper, b. Sara	10
I. Hassan, c. Sturges, b. Westlake	2
J. S. Achbar, b. Westlake	11
H. L. Rumpelshausen, c. & b. Paterson	19
S. A. R. Ismail, b. Sara	19
A. R. Minu, b. Paterson	4
A. S. Sufid, b. Paterson	4
A. S. Ismail, b. Paterson	4
A. K. Minu, b. Paterson	69
Siddar Khan, b. Paterson	9
V. T. Mann, not out	0
Extras	7

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Westlake	10	3	4	23
Sara	10	3	2	23
Grimmitt	8	2	0	20
Paterson	8	2	0	20
Nihill	5	0	18	0
Davies	2	0	12	0

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Mans	4	1	3
A. S. Ismail	7	0	15
Siddar Khan	4	0	14
Ackbar	8	0	16
Rumpelshausen	4	0	10
Madar	5	1	21
A. R. Minu	4	0	27

## Friendly Matches.

## H.K.C.C. BEAT K.C.C.

The K.C.C. visited the H.K.C.C. on Saturday and were beaten by eight wickets. Scores:-

W. Bruce, c. & b. Evers	40
A. V. Ramsay, c. O'wen Hughes	15
E. P. Fincher, b. Evers	15
Capt. E. W. Morris, c. Hayward	1
J. C. Lyle, c. Hayward, b. Evers	1
P. Goodwin, b. Evers	0
W. C. Guest, b. Evers	0
W. Hyde, b. Evers	0
S. Jex, c. & b. Evers	0
H. T. Buxton, b. Evers	12
N. H. Ross, not out	1
Extras	18

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Bowley	13	3	45
Vallack	9	1	22
Parker	13	5	27
Evers	10	2	30

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Goodwin	6.5	2	32
Lyle	10	4	30
Bruce	4	0	23
Ross	2	0	22
Guest	4	0	19
Morris	4	0	20

## A RECREIO MATCH.

## "Banks" beat the Rest.

These two teams drawn from members of the Club met at King's Park on Saturday. The "Banks" won comfortably. Scores:-

J. Lima, b. Alves	9
G. Ribeiro, c. & b. Alves	5
H. A. Alves, b. Alves	14
T. Silva, c. Prata, b. Alves	14
F. H. Carvalho, b. Alves	25
G. A. Noronha, c. H. M. Xavier	9
J. H. Figueiredo, b. Alves	4
F. J. Remedios, b. Remedios	13
P. A. Barros, b. Alves	5
C. Banto, not out	15
Extras	15

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Alves	19	0	48
Remedios	9	2	28

## K.C.C. BEAT NAVY.

Kowloon were at home to a Navy XI yesterday and won a big victory. Scores:-

W. Bruce, b. Sturges	92
C. E. Lyle, b. Hull	10
E. P. Fincher, b. Sturges	73
A. W. Ramsay, c. & b. Beatty	29
F. E. Lawrence, c. Shaw, b. Sturges	29
Capt. E. W. Morris, c. Newall	14
b. Sturges	14
C. T. Evans, b. Shaw	20
S. Jex, not out	10
H. T. Buxton, b. Shaw	1
Extras	29

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Westlake	10	3	4	23
Sara	10	3	2	23
Grimmitt	8	2	0	20
Paterson	8	2	0	20
Nihill	5	0	18	0
Davies	2	0	12	0

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Beatty	23	4	64
Sturges	25	4	91
Hull	9	0	38
Dale	8	0	26
Pugh	6	1	22
Shaw	8.5	1	31

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Goodwin	9	1	44
Lyle	8	0	22
Ross	8	0	31
Morris	4	0	30
Fincher	2	1	9

## BOXING.

## MORRIS WINS WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

## SOME GOOD BOUTS.

Saturday night's boxing tournament of the H.K.B.A. drew a large crowd and provided a good evening's sport.

Stoker Norman Morris won the Welterweight Championship of the Colony by a technical knock out. Leading Seaman Dixon's seconds threw in the towel in the 9th round after he had received a lot of punishment and was an obviously beaten man.

Before the fight Able Seaman Ewin challenged the winner, Able Seaman Grimble, who claimed to have had much experience in Australia, challenged any featherweight in the Colony.

## Six Round Bout.

The first of these was between Gunner Ford, 23rd Battery, R.A. (133 lb.) versus Stoker Gold, H.M.S. "Hermes" (119 lb.). Ford had the advantage of height and reach, as well as weight, and was the aggressor throughout. Gold put up a game fight, and was given a well-deserved draw.

O.S. Rowles, H.M.S. "Danae" (171 lb.) knocked out Private Smith, K.O.S.B. (166 lb.). This fight was a regular whirlwind for 1 1/2 minutes, after which Smith unguardedly stuck out his jaw and was knocked out with a well-placed punch.

Private Hume, K.O.S.B. (184 lb.) was the winner over Ship's Cook C. Hooper, of the "Hermes".

The weight were respectively, 134 lb. and 152 lb. This bout also lasted a very short while. Hooper started out flashy, but the first falling blow of the bout was connected by Hume, and this put Hooper out of action.

## 10 Round Bout.

Leading Seaman Hall, H.M.S. "Titanic" (198 lb.) won the decision over Leading Seaman Baker, H.M.S. "Hermes" (137 lb.). The first two rounds were in the nature of feelers. In the third Baker took some heavy punishment. Hall was cautioned for holding in the fourth. By the fifth round both were arm-weary, and not much damage was done afterwards. Hall secured the decision for being the aggressor.

Signalman Morris, of H.M.S. "Despatch" (147 lb.), won on points from Stoker Reynolds, H.M.S. Submarine (143 lb.). Reynolds was dropped in the second round, but came up game and managed to steer clear of further disaster until the eighth, when he was again sent down. The going, which came soon afterwards, gave much needed rest and enabled him to stay out the whole bout. In this fight the referee had to warn Morris's seconds for making signs during the bout.

## Championship Bout.

Stoker Norman Morris, H.M.S. "Hermes" (143 lb.), middleweight champion of the Colony, who was the favourite, for welter weight championship, did not disappoint his backers, in his bout with Leading Seaman Dixon, H.M.S. "Frobisher" (141 lb.), ex-welterweight, champion of the Colony and champion of the Mediterranean Fleet. The bout, which was for 16 rounds, was finished in the ninth, when Dixon's seconds threw in the towel.

The first round was in the nature of a feeler. In the second Morris was very aggressive, but Dixon was elusive. In the third round, there was a lot of wrestling, and Dixon was warned for holding, although it appeared as if both were equally guilty. In the fourth round Morris again forced the pace, and Dixon was warned a second time. The referee had to enter the ring in the fifth round, and this seemed to have the effect of making the men warm-up to their task. In the sixth round Morris was but to pile up points, and in this he was successful, but Dixon did not allow him to do much damage. The seventh round saw a lot of mixing. Morris was wasting a lot of energy, which did not appear to take him anywhere. Early in the eighth round Dixon left his guard open for a fraction of a second. Morris flashed in a punt on the point of the jaw and felled his man for a count of eight. Dixon was sent down again immediately after he had got up, and the going saved him. Dixon came out for the ninth, still very groggy, and pouncing on him like a panther, Morris again had him on the boards. Dixon got up immediately, and was beaten from pillar to post, an obviously conquered man. His seconds wisely threw in the towel to save him further punishment.

Mr. R. M. Dyer put the belt on the winner at the end of the bout.

## MACAO'S FIRST TOURNEY.

Organised with the view to encourage Macao's young blood to take up the fistic game a very interesting boxing card was put

## YACHTING.

## MENAGERIE RACE YESTERDAY.

## WON BY "ADELE."

The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's menagerie race of 9.4 miles drew a turn out of nine boats of the racing classes yesterday.

The first to cross the finishing line was "Colleen", followed by "Diana" second and "Ailsa" third. When the handicaps were checked "Adele" which finished fifth took first place. The three leaders fell back on corrected time to the following places:—"Colleen" fifth, "Diana" last and "Ailsa" second. "Daphne" which completed the course fourth went up third place after the reckoning.

The nine competitors were:—Handicap Class: Diana, Colleen. One Designs: Daphne, Ailsa, Halcyon. Gael Class: Gael, Thecla. Keyward: Nays: Boojum, Adele.

The course was from the Club to Lyemun Beacon (port), Kowloon Rock (p), mark on Club line (p), Channel Rocks (starboard), finish at the Club—start at 2.45 p.m.

In the table below, the yachts are mentioned in order of finishing with the respective actual positions (according to handicap) stated in brackets.

Yacht	Time	Corrected
Colleen (5th)	4:34:01	4:26:11
Diana (9th)	4:34:50	4:23:16
Ailsa (2nd)	4:34:25	4:24:38
Daphne (3rd)	4:34:01	4:25:13
Adele (6th)	4:34:57	4:22:11
Halcyon (8th)	4:34:49	4:23:03
Boojum (6th)	4:35:28	4:20:32
Gael (7th)	4:35:24	4:20:33
Thecla (4th)	4:35:48	4:25:15

## SATURDAY'S SERVICE RACE.

## Eight Boats Sailed.

Eight boats sailed in the Club's race on Saturday for the Service. The course was:—Kowloon Rock (s), Channel Rocks (s), Cust Rock buoy (p)—start at 3 p.m.

In the tabulated result given below the time is for both finishing and corrected time except where stated.

1st: H.M.S. "Hermes" galley (Eng. Comdr. Villier 4:00:02).
2nd: H.M.S. "Dragon" galley (P.O. Pert 4:23:44).
3rd: H.M.S. "Herald" whaler (Lt. Kennedy) 4:27:29 (finishing time was 4:38:54).
4th: H.M.S. "Frobisher" galley (P.O. Caunter) 4:29:25.
5th: H.M.S. "Ambrose" galley (P.O. Matthews) 4:29:40.
"Titanic" galley, "Hermes" whaler, "Frobisher" cutter did not finish.

## RUGGER.

## NAVY BEAT ARMY 6-3.

Rugby, March 6. The Navy beat the Army at Rugby football yesterday at Twickenham by two tries to one, thus regaining the championship of the Services.—British Wireless Service.

on at the Cinema Victoria, Macao, on Saturday night.

"Iron" Bux and "Kid" Raymond went over from Hong Kong and were matched against two Portuguese, Pinto Silva and Conesio respectively. The Macao lads gave good accounts of themselves. In both fights and showed sound knowledge of the game.

The Raymond-Conesio fight was stopped in the 6th round, when Raymond sprained his wrist. Up to the accident the men had an even break. Had the fight gone the full 8 rounds it was scheduled for it would probably have given the judges a tough task to decide the winner.

The Hong Kong Iron man and Macao's strong man and champion of the Army and Navy went the full 10 rounds together in a very fast bout. The exchanges were of the give and take order and the contest was so closely contested that no decision was given.

The Macao man was very cautious in the first three rounds. He allowed Bux to play all over him and seldom hit back. The fourth saw Silva warmed up and steadily outpointing Bux. Bux was all out to wipe off the lead in the fifth and felled Silva for a count of 5 with a heavy right hook. The sailor was again cautious for two rounds, and then bringing his weight into play he forced Bux on one knee for a count of 2 in the 7th. Both men were arm-weary in the 8th round, while the 9th passed off with a little more action. The 10th saw the men standing toe to toe and hitting briskly. Bux took the round easily on in fighting. Had he started this one round earlier he might have secured the decision.

A return bout between these two men will be arranged next month.

## LEAGUE SOCCER.

## DIVISION I.

## SOUTH CHINA 1; R.A. 0.

These teams met on Sookumpoo "A" ground, a hard fought game resulting in a win for the Chinese by the only goal scored.

Teams:—Royal Artillery: Stanton; Trim, Blanchard; Henric, Fuller, Vicars; Ward, Rookledge, Fulford, Maddocks, Shetton. South China: Lau Hing-cheung; Li Tin-sang, Cheung Wing-shing; Fung Man-kit, Pang Wuh-hing, Ko Sik-wai; Chi Kam-fook, Ip Pak-wai, Tang Yun-cheung, Tin Yuk-on, Tsang Shin.

Referee: Mr. W. E. Hollands. Right from the kick-off the Chinese played forceful soccer with all their speed.

The Goal That Mattered. They were, however, up against a sound defence in Trim and Blanchard who were as usual, a pair of sterling backs.

Although superior to the Gunners in the first half, the Chinese found difficulty in getting a goal. Five minutes before half-time, Ip Pak-wai put in a rattling shot which beat the Artillery custodian (Stanton) and half-time came with the Chinese unexpectedly a goal up.

In the second half the Artillery found their best form. They gave the Chinese rearward no little trouble, but owing to the fine work of Lau Hing-cheung in goal, the soldiers were unable to equalise.

Artillery v. Steadiness. Ward in particular put in some great centres, all to no purpose.

Propos of Ward, the Gunners' outside-right, it will be an unusual day when he is off colour or plays a poor game; he always gives of his best and seems to be in tip-top form.

An unfortunate incident occurred during the second half, after some 20 minutes' play, when Chi Kam-fook (the Chinese right-wing) who had previously been warned, was sent off the field for fouling.

This hardly altered the run of the play and the final whistle went with South China winning by a goal to nil, a result which they deserved for their real enterprise.

For once artistry and flashy speed beat a steady team of orthodox players.

## Division II.

## SECTION "A."

## K.O.S.B. 3; Kowloon 0.

The K.O.S.B. team crossed the harbour and secured two valuable points by defeating Kowloon Reserves by 3 goals to nil. The Scots played a sound, understanding game with perfect combination, and fully deserved their win. Stock scored 2 goals and Crawley was responsible for the third.

## R.A. 4; Recreio 1.

Playing away on Sookumpoo "B" ground Club de Recreio Reserves managed to score only once against the R.A. Reserves' four goals.

Miller put in 2 of the soldiers' goal. Whittington and Jobe put in one each. Recreio's centre forward scored their only goal.

## League Tables.

Goals	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Recreio	11	8	2	1	33
Kowloon	13	6	2	5	24
Police	12	8	2	4	28
Athlete	12	6	4	3	22
K.O.S.B.	13	6	1	6	20
R.A.	13	5	2	6	19
H.K.F.C.	11	5	1	5	15
South China	13	2	0	11	6

## Division II, Section "A."

Goals	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
K.O.S.B. Res.	14	13	1	0	53
R.A. Res.	14	12	1	1	45
Chi. Ath.	14	8	2	4	31
Kowloon Res.	14	6	3	5	15
St. Joseph's	14	6	2	6	21
Recreio Res.	14	8	2	4	28
H.K.F.C. (Res.)	13	5	2	6	22
University	11	5	0	6	15
S. China Res.	12	2	0	6	7
Chi. Ath. "B"	14	0	0	14	0

## "DELHI"—C.A.A. FRIENDLY.

On the Club ground yesterday afternoon a soccer team from H.M.S. "Delhi" played a friendly match



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## FASHIONS AND FANCIES

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The chiffon scarf has come to replace the more sturdy silk scarf of last year. The lovely new designs in both pastel and vivid tones are seen giving a gay touch about the neck when the winter coat is opened. The scarf, of course, lengthens out in the evening into, shawl-like dimensions and is very appealing this season. Its fluttering folds of chiffon are seen in a huge square of exotic designs.

The shawl itself of Spanish origin is still seen, but there has come to accompany it at smart places a shawl of either silk, lame or chiffon that is heavily embroidered in self tones, that is very new and pleasing. Wide fringe being particularly popular this season it is of course

seen on the evening scarfs. Ostrich feathers in the long silky flues also serve as an elaborate edging.

The envelope purse has come to create a chic addition to the list of accessories. In ostrich, alligator, snakeskin or lizard it appears in oblong design. The shade or calf-skin flat envelope bag may also be seen, but generally with an addition of python skin for a new note.

In the evening, the rhinestone pocketbook or the crocheted pearl bag is the correct thing to accompany the formal costume. The Aubusson envelope purse is also very smartly seen.

The georgette handkerchief has come to gain its share of interest. In all sorts of interesting patterns, it is seen in colours ranging from light tints to coloured shades.

The washable capskin glove with a strap that goes all around is seen very smartly for sports and traveling. The more formal glove shows a decorative cuff in colourful stitching or applique.

Bracelets continue important. They appear in all versions of slave-link designs and also come in sets of very slender loops of gold to be worn in groups of five or six.

The flower that so brightly marks the shoulder of the coat is seen with equal success on the mid-winter

### PARAFFIN WASHING.

It is not generally known that paraffin, used in conjunction with water, soap, and soda, is extremely useful for washing very greasy clothes, such as kitchen aprons. It is also very efficacious in the case of infectious clothing, as the germs are killed in the process of washing. Half-fill the copper with water, and in it dissolve a quarter of a pound of soap and a quarter of a pound of soda. When the water is boiling, add two table-spoonfuls of the best paraffin oil; then put in the dirty clothes.

Boil for half an hour, adding more soap and soda to the water if seen rises to the surface, as this shows that the water is too hard. Remove the articles from the copper and rinse them thoroughly, first in hot water to which soda has been added, and then in cold water. If possible, allow the clothes to dry in the open air, as this helps to remove any slight smell of paraffin.

Infectious clothing must be boiled in the water (prepared as above) for at least one hour. This will kill the germs, but the articles should be boiled twice more in order to kill the spores which would otherwise be liable to develop later.

dress. The position of the posy, however, is by no means stable and it appears with smart results at both shoulder, hip, waist or in cascading effects from almost any point. The flower itself has grown in beauty if not in size. The floral displays are no longer merely huge in outline but are often small and perfect in their reproductions. The chiffon, rubber, leather, woolen fabric and velvet flower are all seen in their proper places.

Jewellery is always important. This season has seen introduced many pieces of charm. There is a general tendency to introduce charmingly designed jewels of a semi-precious nature. The settings are of utmost importance and mark the jewellery of a very new mode.

Billie Dove, whose appearance is always marked by her attention to the little things, is seen in First National's new film, "An Affair of the Follies," wearing accessories that will be of the utmost importance during the winter season.

### THE HARDIER SEX.

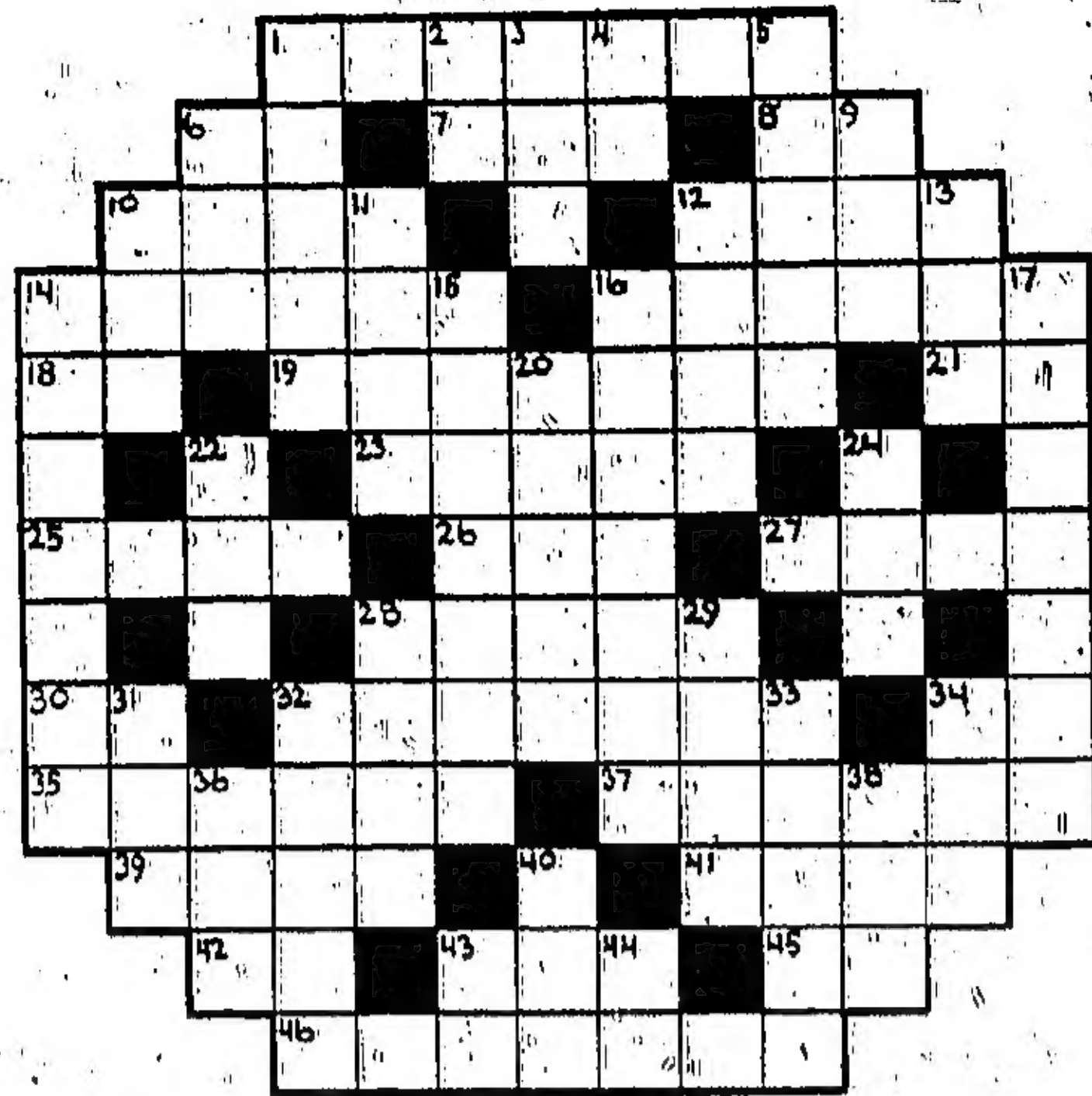
Where Women Excel Over Men.

"Skimpy skirts, short clothes, and bobbed hair are far more suitable than the baggy trousers and the floppy coats of men," declared Dr. Jane Walker, defending present-day women's clothes when addressing members of the National Union of Societies for Equal Citizenship at the Mary Sumner House, Tufton-street, London, recently. Dr. Walker also contended that women are more stalwart than men, they have greater vitality and live longer. Year by year women tended to get stronger, and it was extremely rare nowadays to find a woman suffering from the old complaint—anaemia. She wanted to know why women working in the factory should be made to do fire drill while men were exempted. Could it be that the men were more intelligent? Fire drill was an excellent thing if men and women alike were made to do it. Women must make up their minds to stand together upon their feet. "Do not let us," she said, "be hypnotised into thinking our place is always the second place, and that men's place must always be the first place."

Dr. Christine Murrell wondered if they would have such unnecessary restrictions if women under the age of 30, had the vote. There had never been any proposal, as far as she was aware, of the eight-hour day for the housewife. Had it

## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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### HORIZONTAL

- 1—Thin, sharp, penetrating sounds
- 5—On a higher place
- 7—Perched
- 8—Personal pronoun
- 10—Dull in color
- 12—Tropical fruit (pl.)
- 14—Small fish
- 16—A feeding-trough
- 18—Article
- 19—Wise
- 21—Each (abbr.)
- 23—An idler
- 25—Cease
- 26—Deep wheel-track
- 27—Drifted sand
- 28—Conclusive
- 30—Famous State of U.S. (abbr.)
- 32—Promises
- 34—Within

### HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 35—Followed
- 37—Puzzle
- 38—Ripped
- 41—A rose cutting
- 42—Exist
- 43—Part of verb "to be" (Latin-abbrev.)
- 45—Time of equal night and day
- VERTICAL
- 1—To hit with the open hand
- 2—Ourselves
- 3—Corrode
- 4—Near
- 5—To wave to and from
- 6—Vase
- 8—Germ cell
- 10—Confusion
- 11—A lie

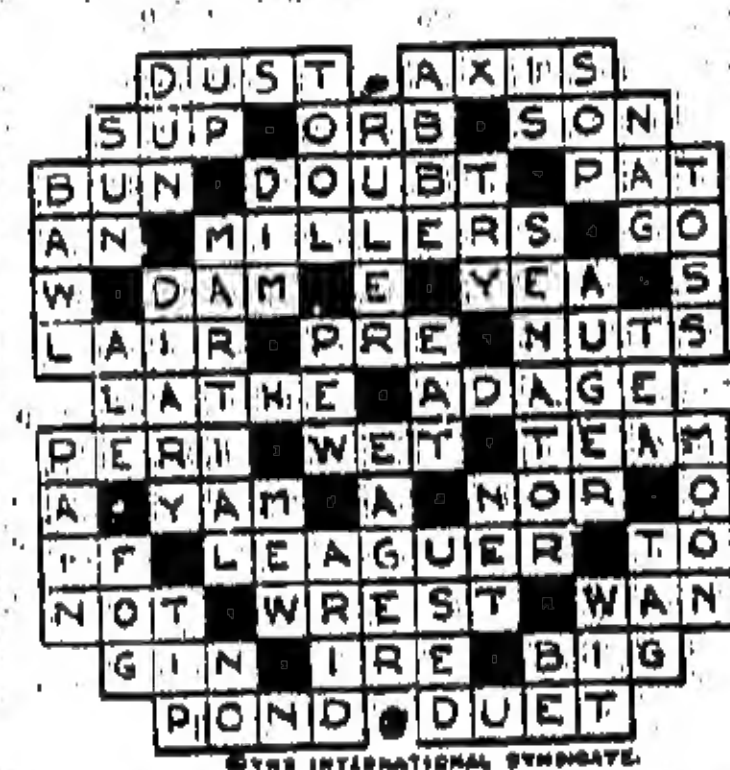
### VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 12—A sanctuary
- 13—Pervasive
- 14—Bulky
- 15—Concerned
- 16—The act of coining
- 17—Italian city
- 20—Hurt
- 22—Happiness
- 24—Dust
- 28—Run away from
- 29—An eye-glass
- 31—Insect
- 32—Thick soup
- 33—Same as Silica
- 34—Sprits
- 36—Lamentation
- 38—Light cart
- 40—Prefix meaning "three"
- 42—Symbol for gold
- 44—Prefix meaning "in"

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES  
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

### SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.



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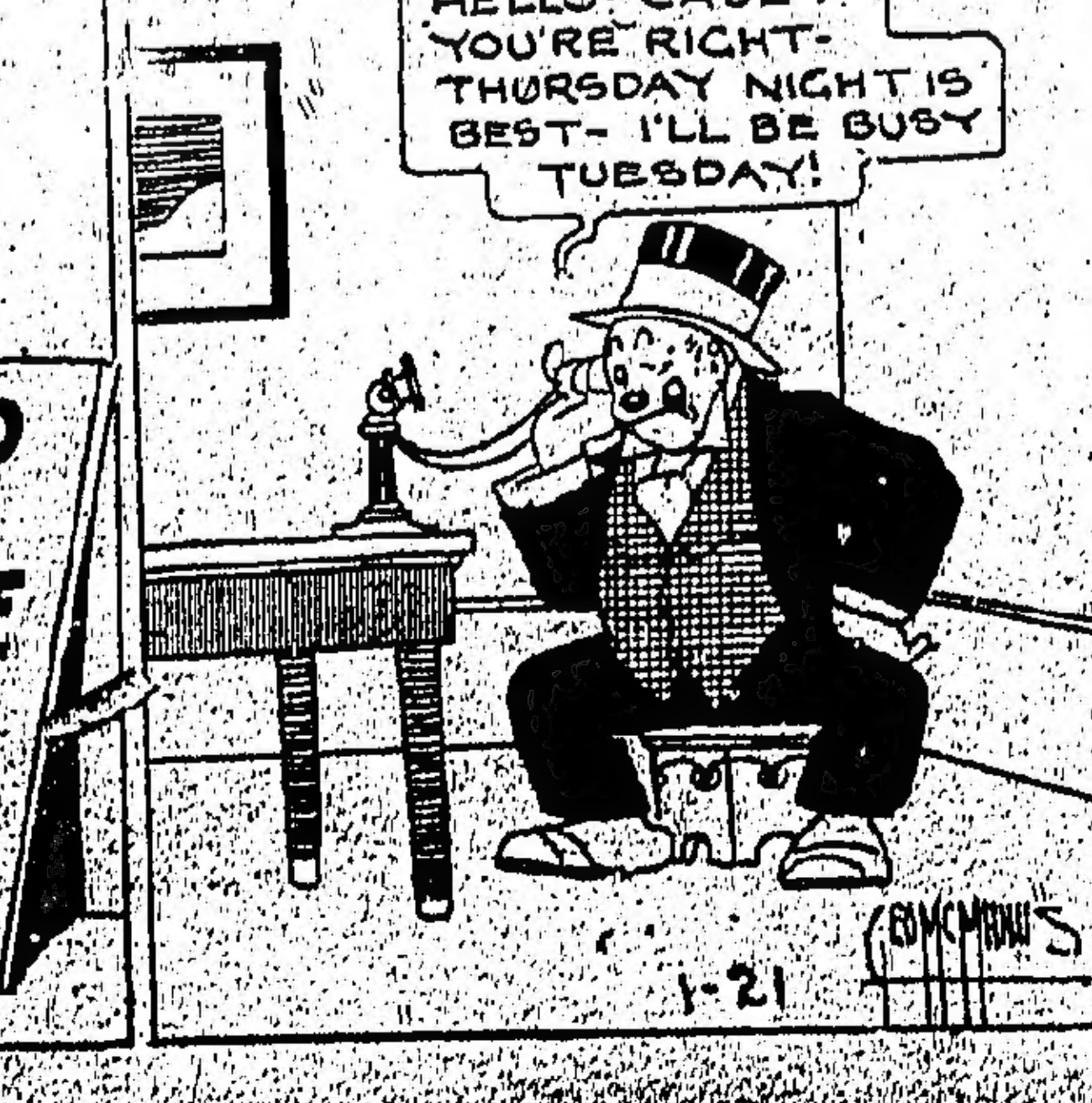
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## THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

The Dowager Lady Michelham has died at her residence in Paris.

The Cheddar cheese-maker of Somerset, Wiltshire, and Dorset decided to form a federation with the object of getting a higher price from wholesalers.

The death took place at Wrexham, Denbighshire, of Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas Davies, both of whom were octogenarians. They recently celebrated their golden wedding.

Prince Ghazi, son of King Feisal of Iraq, was among the 660 boys who assembled at Harrow School for the Lept term and the young Maharajah of Bhanagar has also been sent to Harrow.

A girl aged 10½ years, summoned at Bath for stealing small articles from her mother, learned for the first time her real name and that the woman whom she called mother had adopted her.

In a leading political quarter in Berlin it is believed that the ratification of the Franco-American debt settlement may now be expected with confidence, and that it will open the road to negotiations for the evacuation of the Rhineland.

By arrangement with the Southern Railway, the London General Omnibus Company are to make an experiment with an omnibus "station" at London Bridge, comparable with the one at Victoria.

The identity of the woman who found the handbag belonging to Mrs. Dorothy Rushton, the Cardiff bride discovered dead on the railway at Wickford, Essex, and who returned the bag anonymously to the police has now been revealed.

Mr. George Foster, the lessee of the Prince of Wales's Theatre, has accepted an apology by Lord Lathom, who committed a "technical burglary" by picking a lock at the theatre to provide June, the actress, with a costume in which to dance for charity.

At the spring show and sale of Shorthorn bulls at Birmingham 2,500 guineas—a record price for Birmingham since the pre-war Shorthorn boom—was paid for the show champion, Capt. J. MacGillivray's "Bruiach Royal Broadbroke," which is destined for the Argentine.

Colonel Creswell, the South African Minister for Defence, announced that the Government intended to proceed with the Flag Bill. Consideration would be given to the inclusion of the Imperial Crown in the design of the flag and to the adoption of the Royal Standard.

All the foreign and domestic loans secured on the Chinese Maritime Customs revenue have been met, a Peking message states. During the year the revenue rose by 8,250,000 taels to 78,100,000 taels—a result which is described as a triumph for the efficiency of the Customs service.

The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal from a decision of a divisional court dismissing an application for a rule directing Dartford Guardians to declare vacant the seat of Mrs. Pyne, a woman guardian, on the ground that she was disqualified as she had received medical relief in a hospital of the guardians.

It is untrue, an official communiqué issued in Rome says, that Signor Mussolini wished to make an anti-French political move out of the treaty with Germany. Reports that Italy is massing troops on the North-West frontier against France are characterised as absurd, mischievous, and false inventions.

While making a ski-ing expedition in the region of Graillet, Canton Grisons (a Geneva correspondent reports) four Englishmen were caught by a severe storm. Two succeeded in reaching their road, but the others strayed and fell from the rock Platta Naira. One sustained a broken arm and the other concussion. The more seriously injured is Mr. Huxsey, an assistant editor, of London. The other is a Mr. Hamilton staying at Sils Maria.

A remarkable article on the alleged part played by England in the genesis of the famous Treaty signed by Italy and Albania at Tirana is published in the "Matin" in conjunction with the "New York Herald-Tribune." It is stated that the Treaty might be more correctly described as the "Pact of Leghorn," having been discussed between Sir Austen Chamberlain and Signor Mussolini at their meeting at Leghorn in a yacht. Peace of war in the Balkans, the writer states, might easily depend in the future on the Italo-Albanian pact of friendship.

According to plans which have been filed, the world's largest building, an office structure of 110 storeys, towering 1,208 feet above the street, will soon be constructed in the heart of New York City. The total expense of the building is placed at \$4,500,000, and it is expected to obtain a yearly rental of \$800,000.

Criticising the "over-indulgence" of the British Government, eager to reward India for its war services, the Maharaja of Benares said, "We cannot do without British protection for centuries. It is mockery to call ourselves a nation; India is hopelessly divided," he added. The speech was made at a banquet given in honour of the Viceroy.



WHAT DO YOUR HANDS TELL?

The size, shape and texture of the hands have been regarded from very distant times as highly indicative of character. From the hands also it is easily possible to form a substantially accurate opinion as to their possessor's health.

For instance cold, clammy hands prove poor blood and defective circulation, and trembling or unsteadiness of the hands is a certain sign of debilitated nerves. Both indicate clearly that the blood lacks richness and those red corpuscles so necessary to feed the overworked nervous system.

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On New Year's Day, Frau Moss, wife of Valentine Moss, a grave-digger at the village of Lampertheim, presented her husband with twins for the third time. As the family already rejoiced in 22 children, the arrival of the latest two entitles them to boast of possessing the largest family on record in Germany.

The Air Ministry have placed orders for a fleet of 30 giant Handley-Page-Napier night bombing aeroplanes in connection with the expansion of the home air defences. These (says the "Daily Express") will be used to equip new squadrons and to bring up to date the equipment of established squadrons.

Deptford dry dock, belonging to the London Electricity Supply Corporation was the scene of an explosion as the result of which six workmen who were working in a tunnel in compressed air were trapped. The explosion, which arose from a cause not yet known, resulted in an influx of water from the river, which flooded the tunnel to a considerable depth.

According to reports from the Mexican War Office, the Archbishop of Guadalajara has assembled a force of loyal followers, under the banner "Viva Christ-Roy," and the possibility is foreseen of a religious war plunging the country into a sea of blood. A telegram states that he has appeared at Atotonilco with nearly 2,000 followers, and that Government troops are proceeding against him.

The tender for the whole of the work involved in the construction of the first section of the new Hams Hall super-power station (one of the new capital power stations under the Government's electricity scheme) of the initial value of \$1,458,000, has been accepted by the City of Birmingham Electricity Committee. This is stated to be the largest single contract of a comprehensive character yet placed in Britain by any electrical undertaking.

Following the defeat of France by Ireland in a Rugby football match at Colombes, hostile demonstrations were made by a large section of the crowd against the referee, Mr. Scott (Scotland). Police protection had to be afforded to enable the referee to get away from the Stadium. Mr. Scott's decisions had been very severe, but just, and the French were unaccustomed to such disciplined play.

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RADIO TELEGRAMS may now be accepted for Hongkong under the same conditions and at the same rates as for Canton.

### INWARD MAILS.

From	Per
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	7
Shanghai	Patroclus.
	Szechuen.
Amoy	8
Manila	Shirala.
	Pres. Lincoln.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, & Shanghai	18
	Empress of Canada.

### OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Time
Monday, March	7	
Samsui and Wuchow	Sunning	4 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Grant	4.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Glenapp	5 p.m.
Saigon	Chengdu	5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan & Europe via Siberia (letters & papers specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)	Katori Maru	5 p.m.
Tuesday, March	8	
Japan	St. Albans	10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hai Hong	Neon
Amoy	Suiyang	5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via Victoria B.C.—due Victoria B.C. 28th March. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.		
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via Vancouver B.C.—due Vancouver B.C. 27th March & Europe via Siberia (letters & papers specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only). Parcels 5 p.m. Registration 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.	Pres. Lincoln.	
Wednesday, March	9	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 6th April. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Patroclus.	
Thursday, March	10	
Java via Batavia	Tijaroon	11.30 a.m.
Straits & Calcutta. (Parcels noon. Letters 1 p.m.)	Lai Sang.	
Friday, March	11	
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hai Ching	Noon
Saturday, March	12	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 10th April. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	Kitane Maru.	
Tuesday, March	15	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning.	1 p.m.
Japan	Kumang	5 p.m.
Thursday, March	17	
Straits & Calcutta. (Parcels noon. Letters 1 p.m.)	Hopsang.	

\*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

## ICHANG CLASH.

(Continued from page 1.)

### REPORTS FROM NORTH.

Soviet to Recognise the Nationalists?

According to advices from Hankow the Soviet Government has officially appointed Mr. Karakhan, former Soviet Ambassador to Peking, Soviet representative to the Southern Government. Mr. Karakhan is reported to be going to Hankow. A report is also current that Moscow intends to recognise the Southern Government.

### Shanghai Taxes.

Besides taking over the defence of Shanghai from Marshal Sun Chang-fang, Marshal Chang Tsung-chang has appointed officials to take over all the tax collectorates in Shanghai.

### ANOTHER STRIKE.

Earlier Messages From Shanghai.

Shanghai, March 6. There is no new development in the military situation. The Northerners continue to strengthen their position on the Shanghai-Nanking railway. Marshal Chang Tsung-chang has arrived at Soochow, where the position continues to strengthen. Present indications are against the truth of the Kugmintang reports, mentioned yesterday, regarding the understanding between Chang Kai-shek and Chang Tsung-chang.

There is, however, no doubt that the political heads of the Southerners are making an effort to "capture" Shanghai by means other than military.

Agitation is intensifying locally, and this is directed in the first place in perfecting plans for a complete general strike, and secondly, by the seizure of arms from the Northerners with the object of putting Shanghai under Nationalist control.

Groups of pickets are being formed for the purpose of seizing arms. The strike is due to start in five days' time, but this is conditional on the military success against the North.

Five hundred Japanese naval ratings have been landed, and taken up quarters in the Japanese cotton mills in the case of trouble.—Reuter.

### TROOPS ON MOVE.

Nanking, March 5.

Shantung troops continue to cross the river. A few have moved down the river.—Naval Wireless.

Changsha, March 5.

Kweichow troops are concentrating here.

British at Kiukiang.

Kiukiang, March 5.

The safety of British subjects ashore is not yet guaranteed by the Chinese authorities. The municipal buildings have not yet been vacated.

Ships Fired On.

Wuhu, March 5.

Two thousand Anhwei troops have arrived here from Anking and are awaiting developments.

Two British vessels have been fired on in the region of Tatung. Anti-British Feeling.

Hankow, March 5.

The Chinese authorities had to be requested to remove 200 troops from the British steamer "Tuckwo" before she was allowed to sail down the river.

Some anti-British feeling is again apparent in the Concession.

### KIUKIANG RIOTING.

Shanghai, March 5.

A wireless message from Kiukiang states that an Agreement was signed on Wednesday, to become effective on the 15th inst., by which the Chinese agree to pay \$40,000 compensation for damage done during the looting of the Concession.

The policing of the Concession is to be handed over to the Chinese, and the Municipality is to be abolished.—Reuter.

### Greater Shanghai's Mayor.

Shanghai, March 5.

It is understood that Chang Tsung-chang intends to replace Dr. V. K. Ting, Mayor of Greater Shanghai, by appointing General Wu Kuang-hsin as Tupan of Shanghai. Wu Kuang-hsin is the brother-in-law of Tuan Chi-jui.—Reuter.

## A LOCAL GUILD.

Solicitor on "Extracting" Money.

### IS IT AN ILLEGAL SOCIETY?

The affairs of the Mason Workers Guild (Kwong Yee Tong) came under consideration again before Mr. Justice Wood in Summary Jurisdiction this morning.

This is the Guild in respect of which it was alleged that the officers left the Colony at the outbreak of the strike of 1925, taking the funds of the Guild with them.

The Guild having sued one of its members for alleged arrears of contributions (\$266), Mr. D. McCallum, for the defendant, contends that the Guild is an illegal Society and that as such His Lordship has no jurisdiction to try the merits of the case in respect of the alleged arrears.

Continuing his arguments this morning, Mr. McCallum said that it was for His Lordship to say whether the Guild, according to its regulations and the evidence which had been given previously, was a Friendly Society or a Trade Union. It was difficult from the evidence to believe that it was a Friendly Society having regard to the fact that the purpose of the Society was almost entirely to extract money for "secretarial" purposes.

### "Restraint of Trade."

Mr. McCallum based his case on two propositions—that the Society or Guild was, by its regulations, in restraint of trade and therefore illegal and that it was also illegal because it imposed regulations which were not in the public interest.

If one was a member of the Guild, one was prohibited straight away unless one held certain qualifications, from entering into any work by contract.

His Lordship: I read the regulations in question to mean that members of the Society belonging to this building trade are graded according to their qualifications as Senior and Junior grades and only members of the Senior grade are allowed themselves to take up work by contract. The Junior members may do work on contracts of Senior members but only the Senior members may make the contracts.

Mr. McCallum: But that presupposes a term of apprenticeship and no such term is provided for in these regulations. It seems to me to be a matter of how much money you can subscribe as to which grade you are placed in.

### Keeping Out "Bunglers."

His Lordship contended that on this regulation he was against Mr. McCallum. Its object appeared to prohibit the "bungler" from undertaking certain works.

Mr. McCallum contended that it was not in the interests of the public for such a Society to have the power of stating who was competent and who was not.

His Lordship held that as a voluntary society they had, he thought, jurisdiction to that extent.

On the next regulation quoted by Mr. McCallum (by which, in the event of trouble arising between owner and builder and a refusal to pay by an owner unsatisfied as to the quality of the work, every mason should be prohibited from working on the site), His Lordship said he was inclined to agree with Mr. McCallum that this was not in the public interest.

He was also inclined to agree that another regulation regarding the exclusion of non-union labour was also against the public interest and in restraint of trade.

On the point of enforced deduction from earnings for subscription, His Lordship thought that he saw no reason why subscriptions should not be deducted in the case of members who joined in full knowledge of such provision.

### "Tainted" Regulations?

His Lordship asked Mr. McCallum if, presuming that in respect of the two regulations he had indicated, they were "tainted with illegality," what would the position be?

Mr. McCallum: I would submit that you could not separate the regulations and that therefore the Society is an illegal one. That being so you would have no jurisdiction.

His Lordship: Would you say that it was illegal under the Ordinances or in Common Law. For in the case of the Ordinances, I don't think you could prove it.

Turning to the common law, His Lordship quoted Halsbury that "the effect, if some of the rules of a Society are illegal, is not that the whole of them are vitiated."

Mr. McCallum then argued from the point of view of the representation of the Guild. The Guild in question was supposed to stand for some 3,000 members and yet, when

## DAYLIGHT ROBBERY.

CHINESE GIRL KNOCKED DOWN IN YAUMATI.

A highway robbery took place in Yaumati yesterday afternoon. The victim was a 15-years-old Chinese girl. She had only just arrived from Macao via Canton and was on the way to her stepmother's house when she was attacked by her escort, an 18-years old youth who was her travelling companion from Canton.

The two young people struck up an acquaintance on the ship, and the youth, who said that he was well acquainted with Yaumati, offered to take the girl home. They crossed the harbour in the Yaumati ferry. At a lonely spot in Prince Edward Avenue the youth suddenly knocked the girl down and robbed her of her jewellery. He also ran away with her basket of clothing. The value of the stolen property is given by the girl as \$48.

## SUSPECTED PIRACY.

JUNK TOWED TOWARDS STRONGHOLD.

A case of suspected piracy is engaging the attention of the Police. According to a fishing boat woman living in Ping Chau Island near Mrs. Bay, her father's fishing junk has been missing for nearly two days.

According to other fishing boats which have returned to Ping Chau, whilst on the return trip from Kit Shuk to Ping Chau they saw a strange boat make fast to a fishing junk and ten armed men board it.

After drifting together for some time both boats put up sail and made off in the direction of the pirates' stronghold.

## PIRACY SEQUEL.

CHINESE AGAIN REMANDED BY MAGISTRATE.

The Chinese charged with having been concerned in the "Hanoi" piracy was again before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning.

In applying for a further remand the Police said that the case had reached a stage, where sufficient evidence for the purpose of extradition to Indo-China had been collected and the Police were only asking for time to prepare their case.

A remand was granted until Thursday morning.

## DUTIABLE WINE.

JAR WILFULLY SMASHED BY WOMAN.

A Chinese woman was charged at the Magistracy this morning with the unlawful possession of a jar of dutiable Chinese wine, and with maliciously damaging the jar when arrested.

According to the Police the woman struggled violently, and it took two men and a female searcher to hold her.

She was fined \$20 or two weeks' imprisonment on the first charged and \$10 or one week's imprisonment on the other.

## MOTOR CAR TOUTS

TWO CONVICTIONS AND FINES.

Two motor car touters were this morning fined \$5 each by Major Willson at the Central Magistracy this morning.

They were both arrested by Sergt. Clarke in Chater Road last night. One of them is said to have actually jumped on the footboard of a taxi-cab whilst it was about to start with passengers on board.

The meeting was called to prosecute certain claims in respect of alleged arrears of contributions only 300 men were circulated. The plaintiffs were not a sufficiently representative combination and could not claim in respect of this money.

Mr. F. Losby is for the plaintiffs.

Judgment was reserved.

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